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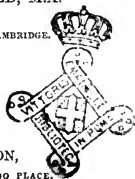
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THE work of which the present Handbook is a translation, consists of three portions :—

- a) Outlines of Ancient History.
- b) Outlines of Medieval History.
- c) Outlines of Modern History.

The whole forms a work of moderate extent, and of great accuracy. The second portion is already in the press, and the Editor cannot but entertain a confident hope that, when the whole work is published, it will have a considerable effect in promoting the study of General History in our Classical Schools. A complete set of Questions upon the Historical portions has been added : but no liberty has been taken with the text in any part except that which relates to the History of the Jews. For this portion, the author is not responsible ; for though he has generally been followed, the alterations made were too numerous and too much interwoven with the original matter, to allow of their being distinguished by brackets. A small and cheap, but accurate, *Classical Atlas*, intended as a Companion to the Editor's "*Historiæ Antiquæ Epitome*," is about to be published by Messrs. Rivington. It will be found sufficient for the student of this work.

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# HANDBOOK

OF

## ANCIENT

### GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY.

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#### INTRODUCTION.

UNIVERSAL history is the record of those facts, by which 1 the internal and external relations of human society have been *created* and *modified*.

The sources of history are either articulate or mute.

The articulate are divided into

1. *Oral*: such as legends, traditions, and historical ballads.

2. *Written*: as (a) inscriptions on buildings, columns, stones, and tablets, especially those of Greece and Rome; (b) coins, medals, seals; (c) documents, such as treaties, articles of peace, proclamations, records of public transactions, &c. (these sources are especially available for *mediæval* and *modern* history); (d) annals (in the east, the only kind of historical writings, amongst the Romans the preparation for *History*); chronicles (especially those of the middle ages), annals contain only the records of remarkable events (changes of rulers, wars, treaties of peace, pestilences, inundations, &c.); which may be extended into scanty chronicles; (e) historical works, either contemporaneous with the events which they record, or written subsequently.

The mute are pictures and statues, coats of arms, all  
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- (1) sorts of buildings and works of art, columns, altars, military intrenchments, ruins, domestic implements, weapons, &c.

Historical investigation requires the collection of the facts from their original sources, and a critical examination and estimate of their credibility<sup>1</sup>.

The handmaids of history are, I. Geography, topical as well as physical and political, the last being further divided into ancient, mediæval, and modern.

- II. Chronology, or the science of computing time, which teaches us to define, according to a settled standard, the duration and succession of events. This standard is partly natural (as the revolutions of the earth and moon, on which is grounded the division of time into years, months, and days), partly artificial and arbitrary, the commencing point for the calculation of those natural periods and their further subdivision having been settled by legislators. Hence the distinction between *astronomical* and *historical chronology*; the former defining the natural portions of time, and the latter giving us the artificial or civil divisions, as well as the events which have been adopted as landmarks to distinguish the commencement of different *æras*<sup>2</sup>.

### *The most remarkable forms of the year.*

- 2 1. The variable solar year of the *Egyptians* consisted of twelve months (each of which contained thirty days), with five supplementary days. In 1461. *J.* by the non-intercalation of a quarter of a day, the commencement of this year was made again to correspond with the same day of the Julian year (20th of July, the rising of *Sirius*, so important for Egypt), so that 1461 Egyptian years were equal to 1460 Julian years.

2. Just so, among the primitive *Zends*, we already meet with a division of the solar year into 12 months of 360 days, with 5 supplementary days.

- D 3. The *Greeks*, particularly the Athenians, the only Grecian nation with whose chronology we are fully acquainted, had a lunar year of twelve months, consisting, for the most part, alternately of thirty and twenty-nine days. In addition to some earlier attempts at corrective

<sup>1</sup> Amongst English works may be mentioned Keightley's *Outlines of General History*, 1 vol.; Joh. v. Müller's *General History* (translated), 3 vols.

<sup>2</sup> Perhaps a Gothic word. [It occurs in a Latin form in Isidore's *Origines*.]

arrangements, three months were intercalated every eight, or seven every nineteen years, in order to fix the commencement of the year at one uniform season, viz. the summer solstice. The month was divided into three decades. Their day began at sunset, like other nations (Jews and Mahometans), whose division of time was primarily governed by the revolutions of the moon. <sup>A</sup> (2)

4. Until the year B.C. 45, the *Roman* mode of computing time was very unsettled and imperfect. Under Romulus they had the Etruscan year of 304 days, or ten months (four of 31 days), which was exchanged by Numa for a lunar year of 355 days, or twelve months. (four of 31 days; seven of 29, and 1 of 28). To this year of 355 days the Decemviri added an intercalary month twice in four years (once of twenty-two and once of twenty-three days), but this intercalation was omitted every 24th or 22nd year. In the year B.C. 45, Julius Cæsar, as Pontifex Maximus, established a settled method of computation by the adoption of the solar year, with an intercalary day once in four years (after the 23rd Feb.). The Roman month [2, D] was also subdivided into three portions; *Calendæ* (the first day of the month), *Nonæ* (the ninth day before the Idus), *Idus* (in months of thirty-one days, *March*, *May*, *Quinctilis*, and *October*, the fifteenth, and in others the thirteenth day), from which the single days were reckoned backwards. They reckoned also by weeks of eight days (Nundinæ). The day began at sunrise [and was therefore of variable length], but afterwards at midnight. <sup>C</sup>

5. The *Christians* availed themselves of the Julian calendar, but at the same time borrowed from the Jews the division of the year into weeks, and named their days after the saints. The council of Nicæa decided that the feast of Easter should always fall on the first Sunday after the full moon following the vernal equinox. In the middle ages, the beginning of the year varied in different nations, some reckoning from the 1st of January, others from the 1st of March, the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin, Easter, Christmas, &c.; nor was it until the end of the 17th century, that the 1st of January was adopted (by an ordinance of Pope Innocent XII.) as the invariable commencement. The Julian calendar, according to which every D year had an excess of 11', 14", 30", was amended by Gregory XIII.; ten days (the aggregate amount of the excess) being left out in the year 1582, an arrangement by which the 15th October was made immediately to follow the 4th, it being also settled that in future three days should be left out in every 400 years. This Gregorian calendar was gradually adopted by the Protestants in the 18th century; but the Russians and Greeks still reckon their time according to the Julian (the old style), which is now twelve days behind our amended calendar.

6. The *Mahometans* (*Mohammedans*) alone reckon their time exclusively by the revolutions of the moon, without troubling themselves about making the solar and lunar year correspond. They have a lunar year of 354 days, with twelve months, which contain alternately twenty-nine and thirty days, and an intercalary day eleven times in thirty years. They reckon the day from sunset. Their week contains seven days. <sup>E</sup>

- (2) 7. The *Republican calendar of the French* may be compared to a meteor, which shines for a short time and then disappears. Their year began on the 22nd September, and had twelve months of thirty days, the names of which were intended to indicate the various phases of nature; and their terminations (aire, ose, al, and dor) to mark the four seasons of the year. These names were Vendemiaire, Brumaire, Frimaire, Nivose, Ventose, Pluviose, Germinal, Floréal, Prairial, Messidor, Thermidor, Fructidor. There were also five, and in leap-year six, supplementary days. The months were subdivided into three decades, the days of which were distinguished by numerals, and contained ten hours of 100 minutes each.

*The most important historical æras.*

- 3 1. Among the *Babylonians* the æra of Nabonassar, (26 Feb.)  
B 747 B.C.

2. The *Hebrews* reckoned at first by the ages of their patriarchs, and afterwards by the years of their kings. The most remarkable æras are the destruction of the first Temple (586), the Selencian (312: see below 5), that of the Maccabees (143, B.C.), and the æra of the world (calculated by Rabbi Hillel in the fourth century). (B.C. 3761.)

3. The *Olympiads of the Greeks*: an olympiad was a period of four years. The computation by Olympiads began with the  
C year 776 B.C. This mode of computing time did not come into general use until the fifth century before Christ, when it was employed by the historian Timæus of Sicily; it did not, however, supersede, but merely existed in conjunction with, the more ancient mode of naming the year after some person in authority; at Sparta, for instance, after the first Ephor; and at Athens after the Archon (Archon Eponymus).

4. Among the *Romans*, the only æra recognized in public proceedings was the Consular, which was retained even under the empire until the reign of Justinian (541 A.D.). The æra *ab urbe condita* also came into general use among writers in the reign of Augustus. Its commencement is fixed by Varro in the year B.C. 753, and by Cato in 752 B.C.

5. In the *Syrian empire*, they had the æra Seleucidarm, (1 Oct.) 312 B.C., in which year Seleucus Nicātor overthrew Demetrius Poliorcētes, at Gaza, and occupied Babylon.

6. The *Christians* (a) of the West, in the first centuries, were accustomed to distinguish the year either by the date of the emperor's accession, or still more frequently by the names of the Consuls; but as the Consular æra began about the fourth century to lose its importance, they adopted the Indiction-Cycle, which was founded  
E on the more recent fiscal constitution of the Roman empire, and commenced on the 1st September, 312. This æra was also in its turn abandoned by degrees, with the constitution from which it derived its origin. In conjunction with this æra, which appears in public documents as late as the 16th centry, the æra *from the birth*



of *CHRIST*, invented by the Roman abbot Dionysius Exiguus (+556), (3) soon came into general use, and has been retained to the present day, although its commencement is fixed four, or perhaps six years too late.—(6) The *Christians of the East* observed partly the Seleucian, and partly the *æra Diocletiani* or *Martyrum*, (29 Aug.) A. D. 284, in commemoration of the persecution under Diocletian. This *æra* is still in use among the Coptic and Abyssinian Christians. We find, also, among the Orientals a variety of *æras*, such as the Alexandrine, that of Julius Africanus, the Byzantine, &c.

7. Among the *Mahometans*, since the death of the Caliph Omar, the *æra* has been the *Hegira* (*Hedschra*), commencing on the evening of the 14th or 15th of July, 622. It must be observed, however, that the flight of Mahomet (*Mohammed*) did not occur at that time, but in the third month of the first year of the *Hegira*.

8. The *French* method of reckoning by the years of the republic was abolished, after being in use twelve years (1793—1805). An attempt was made by Joseph Scaliger, in 1609, to reduce all the various computations of time to one *æra*, viz., the *Creation of the World*, according to which he proposed to arrange the events of all nations and ages; a plan which has been also adopted by Petavius, Usher, and others. But as these authorities were unable to agree respecting the settlement of the epochal year, a more simple and convenient method (*the computation of years before and after the birth of CHRIST*), invented by Riccioli, has been in general use since the middle of the eighteenth century.

III. Genealogy, or the record of the origin, multiplication, and affinities of different races.

History is divided with reference to

1. Its *contents*: into *political* history, and the history of *civilization*.

2. Its *extent*: into *universal* and *special*.

3. The *portions of time comprehended*; into 1. The history of *Antiquity*, from the earliest period of which we have any notices, to the dissolution of the Western empire, A.D. 476. 2. The history of the *Middle Ages*, to the discovery of America in 1492. 3. The history of *Modern Times*, to the present day.

*Methods of history*. The annalistic, ethnographic, and synchronistic.

## FIRST DIVISION.

### ASIA.

Asia, the largest quarter of the globe, and the cradle of the human race, is universally recognized as the native

- (4) land of civilization, the most remarkable religious systems  
 A (the Jewish, Christian, and Mahometan, with those of Buddha, Zoroaster, and Confucius [Konfu-tse],) having originated there : as well as the most perfect and richest languages, most of the arts, sciences, and inventions ; trade, industry, and political science. On the other hand, the civilization which had commenced in Europe at a later period, was almost annihilated by immigrations of Asiatic hordes (Huns, Seldschuks, Mongols), none of whom, except the Arabians, exercised a favorable influence on  
 B the cultivation of the arts and sciences.—Its enormous extent (five times that of Europe), and its situation in three distinct zones (chiefly however in the temperate), have rendered Asia superior to the other quarters of the world in wealth, magnificence, and variety of productions in the animal, and still more in the vegetable kingdom ; a variety which is found not only in the space bounded by its northern and southern, but in that which lies between its eastern and western extremities.
- C India, its southern portion, has always been a field for the display of commercial enterprise, the result of which has been the discovery of new seas and a (so-called) New World. The operations of trade were rendered comparatively easy by the great extent of sea-coast, as well as by the deep gulfs and mighty rivers of that important peninsula.

## A. Geographical View of Asia.

### § 1. *Its Boundaries.*

- 5 Although the ancients were entirely unacquainted with the extreme northern and eastern portions of Asia, they seem to have been aware (at least after the expeditions of  
 D Alexander the Great) that this quarter of the globe was washed by three different oceans, and on the western side by an inland sea, the most considerable in the world.

On the land side it was considered to be divided from Europe by the *Tanais*, from Egypt by the Isthmus of *Arsinoë* (*Suez*), at least since the time of Strabo and Ptolemy (Ptolemæus). The older geographers assigned Egypt, either wholly or in part, to Asia. The ancients supposed Asia to be a long parallelogram, which, if the river *Halys* was assumed as the dividing line, was divided into *Upper* and *Lower Asia* ; if *Mount Taurus* was taken, into *Asia on this side the Taurus*, and *Asia beyond the Taurus*.

## § 2. *The principal Mountains of Asia.*

The ancients entertained but dark and imperfect notions 6  
on the subject of the Asiatic mountain-ranges. The south- A  
western portion of Asia, with which they were best ac-  
quainted, consists in great measure of a highland country  
which stretches from east to west, and rises up in two steps,  
as it were, or terraces. The southern range is formed in  
the West by the Taurus (with its eastern continuations :  
the Amanus to the *Euphrates*, and the Zagrus beyond  
the *Tigris*); on the East the Imaus (the *Western Himá-*  
*laja* and the *Beloortagh*); and its eastern prolongation the  
Emōdus (the eastern *Himálaja*). The north-western  
range is formed by the Caucasus between the Caspian and B  
Black Seas.

The more easterly portions of the northern range have  
particular names (Oxii montes, Sogdii montes, &c.).  
In the middle of these highlands the Paropamisus (or  
Caucasus Indicus, still Hindukusch) runs out from  
the Imaus, and divides the two terraces.

## § 3. *The Waters of Asia.*

### Seas, Gulfs, and Straits.

In the north the *Frozen Sea* (mare Scythicum). 7

In the east the *Eastern Ocean* (Oceanus Eōus). c

In the south the *Southern Sea* (ἡ νοτιή θάλασσα), whose  
parts were: the *Indian Ocean*, on the southern coasts of  
India, with the *Erythræan sea* (between Africa and the  
peninsulas of Arabia and India), the Persian gulf and the  
Arabian gulf, or Red Sea: the latter being divided at its  
northern end into the Ælanitic and Heroopolitan  
gulfs.

In the west the *inner sea* (ἡ ἔσω θάλασσα, ἡ ἐντὸς D  
θάλασσα), now called the Mediterranean. The parts of it  
which washed the coasts of Asia were the Ægean Sea (now  
the Archipelago), the Hellespont (straits of Dardanelles),  
the Propontis (Sea of Marmora), the Thracian Bospōrus  
(straits of Constantinople), the *Pontus Euxīnus* [= hos-  
pitable sea], called in ancient times *Axēnus* [the inhosp-  
itable; from its storms, pirates, &c.]; the Black Sea (in

- (7) contradistinction to the other inland seas, which were named  
 A the White Sea by the Arabian geographers), the Cimmerian Bospörus (straits of Kaffa or Jenikale), the Mæōtis, (called also the Palus Mæōtis and Lacus Mæōtis), now the Sea of Azov.

#### LAKES.

- The *Caspian* or *Hyrceanian* Sea, the largest lake in the world, which probably once communicated with the Sea of Aral, for which reason no mention is made of the latter in ancient writers. The Lacus *Asphaltites*, or Dead Sea, and  
 B the Lake of *Genezareth*, or Sea of Galilee.

#### RIVERS emptying themselves

Into the *Oceanus Septentrionalis*; the Paropamisus (now *Obi*).

Into the *Oceanus Eōus*; the Bantes (*Hoang-Ho* or *Yellow River*).

Into the *Oceanus Indicus*: the Ganges, Indus (*Sind*), and the twin streams Tigris (also Tigres) and Euphrātes, both of which discharge their waters into the Persian gulf.

Into the *Pontus Euxīnus*: the Halys (*Kisil Irmak*), the Phasis.

- C Into the *Caspian Sea*: (a) on the north side the Rha (now Volga); (b) on the east the twin streams Oxus (*Amu* or *Gihon*); the ancients represented the Oxus and Jaxartes (*Sirr* or *Sihon*), as both discharging themselves into the Caspian, but they now fall into the Sea of Aral.

### § 4. *Inhabitants of Ancient Asia.*

- 8 The ancient inhabitants of Asia are divided, according to language, into five principal races.

1. The *Old-Phrygian* race, or the nations of nearer Asia  
 D to the river *Halys*.

2. The *Semitic* nations or inhabitants of Western Asia from the *Halys* and *Mediterranean* to the Tigris.

3. The *Persians*, between the Tigris and the Indus.

4. The *Indian* races, including the *Sinæ* and *Sares*, as well as the inhabitants of India proper.

5. The *Scythian* race, including all the nations of northern Asia.

## B. Particular States.

I. *The Israelites.*

Sources of information.—*Hebrew*: The principal source of 9 information is the Holy Bible, especially the books of Moses or the Pentateuch (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy), the books of Joshua, Judges, Ruth, Kings, and Chronicles, the holy Psalmists, and the Prophets.—We have also the Talmud, or Jewish tradition. A

*Greek*: Flavius Josephus (*Ἰουδαϊκῆς ἀλώσεως* 7 B. *Ἰουδαϊκῆς ἀρχαιολογίας* 20 B.), in the first century after Christ.—Trogus Pompeius (in the Latin extract of Justin, xxxvi. c. 2, 3).

For geography: Strabo (16, 2), Ptolemæus (5, 15—17), Plinius (H. N. 5, 13—19), and particularly the *Onomasticon urbium et locorum Scripturæ Sacræ*, written by Eusebius of Cæsarea, and still extant in the form of a Latin translation by St. Jerome (Hieronymus).

§ 5. *Geography of Palestine.*

Names. In the Old Testament, the country between 10 the Jordan and the Mediterranean is called *Canaan* as being the former residence of the *Canaanites* (also the land of the Hebrews, Jehovah's, as being the peculiar possession of Jehovah), Israel (the promised Land). B

The name of *Palestine* was given at first to the country of the Philistines in south-western Canaan, but by degrees (after the example of the Egyptians and Alexandrian literate) it became the term most frequently employed in the West also to signify the whole country, from the Mediterranean to the Syro-Arabian deserts, and southwards from *Phœnicia* and *Syria*; which was also denominated *the Holy Land*, as being the theatre of events recorded in sacred history. By the Greek and Roman historians it was usually called *Judæa*, a name originally designating the territory of the tribe of *Judah*; but which after *Solomon*, denoted the *kingdom of Judah*, and after the Babylonian captivity, the whole country, because Judah had been the royal tribe, and those who returned from exile were principally *Judæi*. C

Boundaries (in the time of the Judges): on the west D the Mediterranean sea, N. Phœnicia and Syria, E. the Syrian desert (country of the Ammonites), S. Arabia (country of the Amalekites, Edomites, and Moabites).—David subdued Syria; and Solomon's dominions extended

- (10) from Thapsacus on the Euphrates to Gaza, and southwards  
 A as far as the Red Sea.

Mountains: from Libanon there run in a southerly direction two parallel mountain-ranges on either side of the Jordan quite into *Arabia Petræa*. Each of them branches out into several smaller arms with single elevations partly interrupted by extensive plains and valleys. Quite in the north is *Hermon*, the highest point of Anti-Libanus.

The northern part of Palestine, afterwards called *Galilæa* (Galilee), forms a table-land, on the southern side of which rises Mount  
 B Tabor; thence the traveller towards the south descends into a small plain (Jezreel). The centre of the country is traversed by the mountains of Ephraim, the southern by those of Juda, and the eastern by those of Gilead.

Waters. The Mediterranean (in the Bible the Great Sea). The lakes of Merom (or Samochonitis), and Genezareth, or the Sea of Galilee; the Dead Sea (so called, because, as it is said, no living being can exist in it, or on its surface), or *Lacus Asphaltites* (on account of the bitumen or asphalt found there), or Salt Sea (on account of the unusual saltiness of its waters). This body of  
 C water owes its origin to the judgement which overwhelmed the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah (with Adama, Zeboim, and Bela), and changed the fruitful valley of Siddim into a lake. The river Jordan rises from three sources in the Anti-Lebanon, and flowing through a valley formed by a wall of rocks on each side, and through the lakes of (Merom and) *Gennezareth*, finally loses itself in the Dead Sea. Rödiger, (in Ersch and Grüber's *Encycl.*), and Robinson, in his *Palestine*, shew how improbable the sup-  
 D position is, that the Jordan originally discharged itself into the Ælanitic Gulf of the Red Sea.

Climate. As the soil of Palestine comprehends within a small area almost all the formations of the earth's surface, from the bright lively chalk to the black basalt; so does it possess every variety of climate, from the tropical temperature of the valley of Jordan, on the banks of the lake Genezareth, to the cold and raw atmosphere of the heights of Lebanon. By this great variety of climate a gradation of vegetable life is created, ascending regularly from the stunted productions of colder climates, to the palm-trees, and tropical fruits of the south.

Agriculture and the cultivation of the vine, as well as the growth of fruit (especially figs and olives), and the rearing of silk-worms, once flourished extensively in Palestine; and, in conjunction with pasturage and the keeping of bees, formed the chief wealth of the inhabitants. Forests of cedars, cypresses, palms, and oaks, furnished wood for building, whilst salt was supplied abundantly by the Dead Sea.—The scourge of Palestine was its swarms of locusts. <sup>(10)</sup><sup>A</sup>

Its divisions were various at different times. Joshua portioned out the land among the twelve tribes of Israel (Judah, Simeon, Benjamin, Dan, Ephraim, Manasseh, Issachar, Zebulun, Asher, Naphtali, Gad, and Reuben), and after the death of Solomon, it was divided into the kingdoms of Israel and Judah. In our Saviour's time, a distinction existed between the parts (a) on this side Jordan (Judæa, Samaria, and Galilee), and (b) beyond Jordan (Peræa).

#### CITIES

In *Judæa*. 1. JERUSALEM or Salem, originally Jebus, the capital of the Jebusites; in the Bible Jeruschalaim, τὰ Ἱεροσόλυμα (in Herodotus Κάδυρις?); from the time of Hadrian Ælia Capitolina, and Jerusalem again under Constantine the Great; the chief city of Judæa, and, since the days of King David, capital of the whole country, was situated on four hills, viz., Zion, the southernmost and loftiest, on which a fortress was erected by David; Moria [*Moriah*], where Solomon built the temple; Akra (on the N. W.) was taken in by King Hezekiah, and at a later period Bezetha (on the N.) by Herod Agrippa (A.D. 42). Here Hezekiah added a second, and Herod Agrippa a third wall. This new Jerusalem was destroyed by the Roman emperor Titus, but restored, with diminished extent, under the name of Ælia Capitolina, by Hadrian, and peopled with Romans. Near the city were the *Mount of Olives* beyond the brook Kidron (Cedron) and Golgotha, on which Jesus was crucified. <sup>c</sup> <sup>d</sup>

The TEMPLE stood on the Eastern side of the city, on Mount Moria, which David had already consecrated by building upon it an altar after the great pestilence. It was surrounded by two external courts, the outer one for the people, the inner one for the priests. In the latter stood (a) the altar for the burnt-offerings, (b) ten kettles or cauldrons on brazen stands with wheels for washing the portions to be sacrificed, (c) the "*brazen-sea*," supported by twelve brazen bulls; it was for the purification of the priests after sacrifice was ordered.

The Temple itself consisted of three principal divisions: (1) the

- (10) covered *Fore-court*; (2) the *Holy Place*, with the Altar of Incense, the Golden Table for the Shew-bread and Five Golden Candlesticks with seven arms on each side: (3) the *Holy of Holies*, with the<sup>A</sup> Ark of the Covenant, plated with gold without and within, and the two Cherubims bending towards each other over the *Mercy-Seat*. In every part of the interior, the pavement, walls, and roofs were overlaid with gold.

2. BETHLEHEM, southward of Jerusalem, a mountain city, the birth-place of David and of our Blessed Saviour.

3. JERICHO, destroyed by Joshua, and restored by David, the seat of the "schools of the prophets." 4. On the coast<sup>B</sup> the sea-port of Japho or JORPA (Jaffa).

To Judæa belonged also the cities of the Philistines, who were subject for a short time to the Israelites; viz., Gaza on the coast, Askalon, and Ashdod (*Azôtus*, seat of the idolatrous worship of Dagon; besieged 29 years by Psammetichus).

In *Samaria*. 1. SAMARIA (Schomron), sometime capital of the kingdom of Israel, destroyed by Shalmanesar in 722, and afterwards rebuilt. 2. SICHEM, where the Ten Tribes revolted under Jeroboam, who fixed his residence there. It was afterwards the chief city of the Samaritans.

- c 3. SILO [*Shiloh*], where the tabernacle of the Lord rested from the days of Joshua to Samuel.

In *Galilee*. CANA, where our Lord wrought his first miracle at the marriage-feast; NAZARETH, where He was brought up; CAPERNAUM, his usual place of residence. There were no very remarkable cities in *Peræa*.

## § 6. HISTORY OF THE ISRAELITES.

### I. From Adam to Noah.

(1656 years according to the Hebrew chronology.)

- 11 The Bible teaches us, that God<sup>1</sup> created (probably<sup>D</sup> about 4000 years before the birth of Christ) a pair of human beings, Adam and Eve, whom He placed in a garden, named Eden, the situation of which it is impossible now to ascertain. Here they continued to dwell,

<sup>1</sup> [He created them in his own image; to which belonged reason, freedom of will, dominion over the creatures, immortality, grace, and holiness. "He created them innocent, and sowed in their minds the seeds of natural virtue and religion: but besides this, He conferred upon them by his Holy Spirit certain supernatural powers and gifts, without which they could not have attained to immortality."—*Bp. Bull*, vol. iv. p. 1066.]



until, having fallen by an act of disobedience from their (11) state of innocence ('*the Fall*'), they were expelled from A Paradise, and man was condemned to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow. But this sentence was accompanied by a *positive* but *indefinite* promise, that some '*seed of the woman*' should accomplish, though not without difficulty and suffering, a final victory over sin and the personal Spirit of evil who had tempted him to his fall. We learn from the Bible history that the sons of Adam employed themselves in agriculture and the feeding of cattle; and that they offered *sacrifice*, a rite which afterwards prevailed throughout the whole ancient B world, and was probably of Divine appointment<sup>1</sup>. The union of the first *family* was soon dissolved by the murder of Abel by his brother Cain, and the flight of the fratricide into the land of Nod (i. e. of *banishment*), where he built the first city. The posterity of Cain, whose wickedness had filled the earth with murder and violence, were destroyed, together with most of the descendants of Seth (Adam's third son), by the waters of a *Flood*. The Bible account of this visitation is confirmed by the traditions of other ancient nations, as well as by the C history of the earth itself. None escaped this destruction except righteous Noah, his wife, and their three sons (Shem, Ham, and Japheth), with their wives, in all eight persons. These were saved in the *Ark*, which finally rested on Mount Ararat; and thus the human race a second time sprang from a *single* family.

## II. *From Noah to Abraham.*

(B.C. 2300—2000.)

The rapid increase of Noah's descendants compelled 12 them to settle on the banks of the Euphrates, in the fruitful plain of Shinar (*Babylon*).—Building of the tower of Babel. Dispersion of Noah's posterity.—The *Shemites* (or descendants of Shem) spread themselves over Asia, from the Mediterranean to the Oxus; north-western Asia and Europe were peopled by the descendants of *Japheth*;

<sup>1</sup> [Sacrifices of expiation were commanded the Jews, and obtained amongst most other nations, from tradition, whose original probably was revelation.—*Bp. Butler, Anal.* ii. 5.]

- (12) Africa and a portion of south-eastern Asia<sup>1</sup> by the children of *Ham*. In consequence of the universal degeneracy of Noah's posterity the knowledge and worship of the one true God were entirely lost, except in the family of Abraham, a descendant of Seth in the tenth generation, who, being called by God, received from Him a command to leave his own country and kindred, and seek for a new home in a land, the very name of which was not to be declared to him till a future time. He was required to act *in faith*, the command being enforced by a promise, that his obedience should be rewarded by his being made the father of a great nation, from which a blessing should be conveyed to all the nations of the earth. The faith of the patriarch was equal to the trial: he quitted the land of his fathers (*Ur of the Chaldees*), "not knowing whither he went;" and from this time the original promise of a Saviour was limited, and thus rendered more definite by the added specification, that He should proceed from the family of *Abraham*.

### III. *From Abraham to the Conquest of Palestine.*

(B.C. 2000—1500.)

- 13 Abraham, who was called, by the native Canaanites, *Hebri*, i. e. 'the man from the other side' (hence the term *Hebrews*), had entered their country (the land of Canaan) in company with his nephew Lot; but the rapid increase of their flocks and herds soon compelled them to separate. Lot, to whom Abraham granted the privilege of choosing his future abode, settled in the valley of *Siddim*, the rich and well-watered plain of the *Jordan*. The inhabitants of its cities, *Sodom* and *Gomorrhah*, were so terribly wicked, that the Lord rained fire and brimstone upon them from heaven, showing at the same time his power to *deliver the godly out of temptation* by preserving righteous Lot. When these guilty cities were overthrown, the plain in which they stood became the *Dead Sea*. Lot escaped into the mountains with his daughters, who (by incestuous intercourse with their father, whom they had made drunk with wine) gave birth to *Moab* and *Ben-Ammi*, the ancestors of the idolatrous *Moabites* and *Ammonites*.

<sup>1</sup> [Apparently the coasts of Arabia and the Persian gulf.]

On the other hand, Abraham, who, on account of the (13) barrenness of his wife Sarah, had had a son (*Ishmael*) by <sup>A</sup> her handmaid *Hagar*, received a promise that Sarah, in her old age, should have a son. Accordingly he became the father of *Isaac*, 'the son of promise;' and, as a reward for a great and mysterious trial of his faith, when he prepared to *sacrifice this son* at the command of God, was admitted to a more intimate communion with the Almighty by the establishment of a covenant, into which every male of his race was thenceforward to be incorporated by *circumcision*. *Ishmael*, with his mother *Hagar* (who had justly offended Sarah by her *mocking* behaviour on the <sup>B</sup> festival of *Isaac's* weaning), had been driven forth into the Arabian desert at the request of Sarah, but with the permission of God. *Isaac* became the heir of his father's possessions, and having married *Rebekah* (the daughter of Abraham's brother, *Nahor*), begat twin sons, *Esau* (or *Edom*) and *Jacob*, afterwards named *Israel*.

*Esau*, having profanely sold his birthright to his brother, travelled towards the south, and became the founder <sup>C</sup> of a commercial race named *Edomites* (*Idumæans*).

After *Isaac's* death, *Jacob* became the head of the Israelitish family, and continued to lead a pastoral life, being assisted in the care of his flocks and herds by his twelve sons. His favorite son, *Joseph*, was sold by his envious brethren to a caravan of *Ishmeelites*, who carried him into Egypt, where he became the property of *Potiphar*, and was thrown into prison in consequence of a false accusation brought against him by his master's wife. <sup>D</sup> Having interpreted the dreams of Pharaoh, he was created viceroy of Egypt, and after severely proving his brethren, who had come down from Canaan to buy corn, at last discovered himself to them. By the invitation of his son, *Jacob* migrated with his whole family into Lower Egypt, where he dwelt in the land of Goshen. After residing there 430 years<sup>1</sup>, the Israelites (now a considerable nation, numbering 600,000 fighting men) quitted Egypt under the <sup>E</sup> command of *Moses*. This leader (a descendant of *Levi*) had been exposed when an infant on the banks of the Nile, in consequence of a command issued by Pharaoh that all

<sup>1</sup> So Pütz : but the 430 years are to be reckoned from the promise in Gen. xv. to the Exode.

- (13) the first-born male children of the Israelites should be  
 A destroyed. Being rescued from the waters by Pharaoh's daughter (hence his name), he was given to his own mother to be nursed, and as he grew up received instruction in all the learning of the Egyptians. Having slain an Egyptian, who was persecuting one of his brethren, the children of Israel, he fled for safety to the country of the Midianites, in Arabia, where *Jehovah* appeared to him in the midst of a burning bush on Mount Horeh, and commanded him to return and conduct the people from Egypt into the land of  
 B Canaan. In conjunction with his brother *Aaron*, he endeavoured to obtain from Pharaoh permission for the people to make a three days' journey into the wilderness, that they might sacrifice to the Lord their God: but Pharaoh's heart was hardened, so that he refused to let them go, until his land had been visited by ten miraculous plagues. The army of the Israelites guided by a pillar of a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, marched through the Arabian gulf (God having first "*caused the waters to go back by a strong east wind*," and then to return and over-  
 C whelm their pursuers) towards Mount Sinai, in Arabia, where Moses delivered to the people a code of laws, written by the finger of God Himself. God punished their faithlessness and disobedience by condemning them to wander forty years in the wilderness: after which they conquered the whole of Palestine as far as the river Jordan. Aaron and Moses, having on one occasion failed to sanctify *Jehovah before the people*, were not permitted to enter the promised land, but died before the children of Israel crossed the river<sup>1</sup>.

- 14 The MOSAIC LAWS, by which the Jewish people were to be go-  
 D verned, were given to Moses by God Himself, especially the two tables of stone on which the Ten Commandments were engraven, and the pattern of the tabernacle, with its furniture and ordinances of worship. It contained, however, many confirmations of ancient patriarchal usages (such as the worship of one God by means of sacrifices, prayers, and vows, the observance of the Sabbath, circumcision, oaths, the avenging of blood, and the patriarchal life under the government of heads of tribes and fathers of families): and some of the political and domestic institutions bear a strong resemblance to those of the Egyptians. The laws were—

<sup>1</sup> Before his death, Moses, by God's direction, nominated *Joshua* to succeed him as the leader of the people.

1. RELIGIOUS. The worship of *one God*, Jehovah, as King of his (14) chosen people. It was forbidden to make any visible representation of the Almighty; but his presence was indicated by the cloud which rested on the mercy-seat in the tabernacle. This tabernacle was a portable tent, consisting of a court and the sanctuary, properly so called, the innermost division of which (the Holy of Holies) contained the ark of the covenant with the Ten Commandments engraved on two tables of stone. The tribe of Levi (to which Moses belonged) were charged with the administration of every thing relating to public worship, but the priesthood itself was confined to the descendants of Aaron; the head of the family for the time being having the title of high priest, and acting at the same time as head of the tribe of Levi and spiritual chief of the whole nation. All duties connected with the worship of God, unless expressly reserved to the priests, were performed by the Levites, with the exception of B the lowest offices, which were discharged by the slaves of the sanctuary. They were also required to transcribe and explain the books of the law, administer justice, and conduct the registration of the tribes; and were generally versed in all the scientific learning of those days. They dwelt in forty-eight cities, dispersed among all the tribes, and were not allowed to possess any property, but received a tenth part of the possessions of the other tribes (the tithe of which they again gave to the priests), besides a share of the beasts offered in sacrifice, the firstlings of the flock and first fruits of the land. The high priest was also supreme judge, and had the privilege of inquiring the will of God. He entered the Holy of C Holies once a year, on the great Day of Atonement, to offer sacrifice for his own sins and the sins of the people. In order to fix in the minds of the children of Israel a perpetual remembrance of their dependence on the Divine Ruler of their nation, periodical feasts were appointed by the Mosaic law. To remind them that their persons and property belonged to God, their bodies were to rest every seventh day, or *Sabbath* (as a memorial also of the rest of God on that day from the work of creation), and their land every seventh or *Sabbatical Year*; and at the end of seven times seven years, or the year of *Jubilee*, all contracts for the possession of person or property were cancelled, domestic slaves emancipated, and lands, which had been sold or pledged, were restored, with the necessary farm buildings to their original owners. Their three annual D festivals, at which all the males were required to visit the place where the ark of God was deposited, were partly commemorative of God's wonderful protection of his people, and partly seasons of thanksgiving. 1. *The Passover (Passah)*, in commemoration of the deliverance of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery, and the sparing of their first-born by the destroying angel when he smote the first-born of the Egyptians. 2. *The Feast of Weeks*, or *πεντεκοστή (ἡμέρα)*, a thanksgiving for the delivery of the law on Mount Sinai, as well as for the commencement of harvest. 3. *The Feast of Tabernacles*, a festival commemorative of their living in tents and booths in the wilderness, and a thanksgiving for the end of the fruit gathering and vintage. Their dependence on Jehovah was also especially recalled to their minds by a yearly penitential observance, called the *great Day of*

- (14) *Atonement.* The new moon of the seventh month, or beginning of the civil year, was likewise a festival, and was announced by sound of trumpet, whence it was denominated the *Feast of Trumpets*. The *sacrifices*, which were all offered up on an altar in the court of the Tabernacle, and afterwards of the Temple, were either *bloody*, consisting of clean beasts without spot or blemish (oxen, goats, sheep, and doves), or *unbloody*, such as meats, drink-offerings, and the daily offering of incense. Besides these sacrifices, the Israelites were required to bring before the Lord the first-born of beasts, and the first fruits of their fields and vineyards, as well as a double tithe (half for the Levites, and the other half to form a fund for the expenses of sacrificial feasts, hospitality to strangers, and relief of the poor). Among their religious observances may also be classed

<sup>B</sup> vows, prayers, circumcision, and the purification of the unclean.

2. *CIVIL.* Their *political constitution* was a Theocracy. The people were divided into twelve tribes, which were governed by heads of tribes and families (named *elders*), and formed each a small republic : but the whole nation was subject to the dominion of the invisible Jehovah, who governed by his visible representative the High Priest, assisted by the priests and prophets. On extraordinary occasions the people were called together to decide questions of peace, war, alliances, &c., and to elect leaders. We find, also, in the Mosaic law special provisions for the case (which afterwards occurred) of the people desiring to choose a king.

<sup>C</sup> *ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.* After the conquest of Palestine a judge, chosen generally from the tribe of Levi by the heads of families and tribes, was stationed in every city. The punishments were, *death*, inflicted for offences against the Theocracy, such as idolatry, desecration of holy usages, blasphemy, prophesying falsely, &c. All crimes of this description were punished with death by the sword or stoning, as acts of high treason against the Sovereign Ruler of the nation. The same punishment was also inflicted for murder, robbery of an Israelite, adultery, incest, and cursing or ill-treating parents. *Corporal punishment* (stripes) ; *fines* (for theft and defamation) ; *ecclesiastical penalties* (sacrifices). Moses appointed three cities on the eastern side of Jordan, to which the slayer, who had killed his neighbour without malice prepense, might flee from the avenger of blood.

<sup>D</sup> *WAR.* Every free citizen who had attained the age of twenty years was required to serve in the army, which was divided into battalions corresponding to the number of the tribes, each tribe being commanded by its own heads and fathers of families. Terms of capitulation were to be offered to besieged places ; but if these were refused, and the city taken by storm, all the male inhabitants were to be put to death.

*DOMESTIC LIFE.* For the avoidance of idolatry, the people were commanded to separate themselves strictly from foreign nations (with the exception of their relatives the Edomites and the Egyptians), and to root out the ancient inhabitants of Palestine. They were required to lead a peaceful life within their own borders, maintaining themselves by agriculture and pasturage, and neither seeking to enrich themselves by commerce, nor attempting to extend their

territory by conquest. Kindness to the poor, widows and orphans, (14) justice to the hired labourer, and gentle treatment of their slaves, A and even of beasts, were strictly enjoined by the Law.

The commission of Joshua was ratified by the miraculous interposition of *Jehovah*, who caused the waters of Jordan to retire at the first touch of the priests' feet, and the walls of Jericho to fall down before the *people of God*. This leader subdued thirty-one princes of the Canaanites, and consequently made himself master of the whole land, which he divided among the twelve tribes, ten of which were named after the sons of Jacob (with the exception of Levi and Joseph), and two after Manasseh and Ephraim, the sons of Joseph. The Levites occupied forty-eight cities.

#### IV. *From the Conquest of Palestine to the establishment of the Monarchy. Period of the Judges.*

(B.C. 1500—1100.)

The twelve tribes, each under its own prince, were 15 united into one federal commonwealth by their worship of *c* *Jehovah* (the tabernacle at Shiloh), and their common interest in the priestly race and the high priesthood, which was hereditary in Aaron's family, as well as by the Mosaic law and their general assembly (at Sichem).

The command of God, speaking by his servant Moses, to root out the ancient inhabitants of the land, had been in a great measure disregarded; and the people not only contracted marriages with the Canaanites, but added the idolatrous rites of their neighbours to the worship of *Jehovah*. These transgressions, the envious feeling of D the weaker tribes towards the stronger, and their conflicts, generally disastrous, with their neighbours, the Philistines, Edomites, Midianites, Ammonites, and Moabites, to whom the Israelites were alternately either subject or tributary, would have put an end to the commonwealth, had not individual heroes (JUDGES, such as Gideon, Jephthah, Samson, and Eli) been raised up by God in the time of their sorest need to rescue the nation from complete subjection. When, however, the sons of Samuel (a Judge, and the founder of a School of Prophets, in which the young Israelites were instructed in the laws, religion, and music),

- (15) who had been admitted by their father as his coadjutors in the priestly office, were known to have accepted bribes, the people, forgetting that God was their King, persuaded themselves that a union of the tribes under a single head would ensure them more unanimity among themselves, and greater security against their enemies. Accordingly, they desired to have a visible king, like the nations around them. Samuel was highly displeased at this request, which he justly considered an act of rebellion against their Almighty Sovereign; but being commanded by God to accede to their demand (though not without pointing out to them its sinful character), he anointed Saul, the son of Kish, a Benjamite, to be king over Israel.

*V. From the establishment of the Monarchy to the  
Separation of the two kingdoms.*

(B. c. 1095—975.)

- 16 Saul, after obtaining a victory over the Philistines, received the homage of the Israelites at a general assembly, where he swore to observe the constitution as defined by the terms of his compact with the people and the laws of the Jewish nation. After this he subdued the remainder of their heathen neighbours, the Philistines, Moabites, and Edomites, and rooted out the Amalekites, but, in defiance of Samuel's prohibition, spared their king and the best of the cattle. He had on another occasion offered sacrifice, in profane violation of God's law; and for these acts of disobedience Samuel, by God's command, privately anointed David, of Bethlehem in Judah (a young man), to be the future king of Israel. When a boy he had kept his father's flocks, but had been admitted at the court of Saul as a player on the harp and armour-bearer to Jonathan, the king's son. After his victory over the giant Goliath he was persecuted by the jealousy of the king, and took refuge among the Philistines. Saul, being deserted by God, ended his life by falling on his own sword after a disastrous conflict with the Philistines, in which three of his sons were slain.

DAVID then returned to his own country, and was at once acknowledged by the tribe of Judah; the other eleven tribes declaring in favour of Ishbosheth, the son of Saul, who was put to death eight years after his



accession, when David became king of all Israel. Having (16) chosen Jerusalem, which he had conquered from the Jebu-<sup>A</sup> sites, to be the royal residence, David transferred the Ark of the Covenant to that city, and built a magnificent palace on Mount Zion, by the aid of workmen furnished by his ally Hiram, king of Tyre. The booty taken in his wars was also set aside to meet the expenses of erecting a Temple which he desired to build, but was commanded by God to leave the execution of his plan to his peaceful successor. By the subjugation of the Moabites, Edomites, and Syrians (of Zoba and Damascus), David extended his<sup>B</sup> kingdom eastward as far as Thapsacus on the Euphrates, and southward to the Arabian gulf. At the same time he took measures for the regular administration of his enlarged dominions, surrounded himself with a brilliant court and a body guard (Krethi and Plethi), appointed ministers and officers for the administration of justice and military affairs, divided the company of priests and Levites into courses, gave a more settled form and greater magnificence to public worship, maintained a standing army of 300,000 men in twelve divisions, each of which remained in turn a<sup>C</sup> month under arms, concluded a commercial treaty with Hiram of Tyre, &c.

Deep religious feeling and unshaken confidence in the Almighty were the distinguishing characteristics of David, whose fervent spirit of devotion is displayed in the Psalms. Under the influence of passion he committed two grievous sins (the seduction of Bathsheba and murder of Uriah), of which he sincerely and bitterly repented. On this repentance he was himself pardoned; but because he had given occasion to the enemies of the Lord to blas-<sup>D</sup> pheme, a sentence of punishment was pronounced against him, that the sword should never depart from his house. His son Absalom, who had deposed his father, was put to death by the commander-in-chief (Joab) as he hung by the hair from the branches of an oak. A short time before his death David abdicated in favour of his son SOLOMON (the son of Bathsheba), who had been educated by the prophet Nathan.

The *wisdom* of Solomon, which was renowned through-<sup>17</sup> out the whole eastern world, was displayed in his judicial decisions (the determining, for instance, which of two



- (17) claimants was the true mother of a child), proverbs, of  
 A which 3000 are extant, songs (1005), and enigmas<sup>1</sup>. His  
 great work was the *erection of a magnificent national  
 Temple*, and the *establishment of a splendid ritual*. The  
 Temple was finished in seven years by artizans from Tyre,  
 and profusely ornamented with gold, silver, and precious  
 stones. The building was divided (like the Tabernacle)  
 into the Holy Place and Holy of Holies, and solemnly  
 dedicated to the service of the Almighty; the Ark of the  
 Covenant being brought from Zion and deposited in the  
 B sanctuary. He built also a royal palace, the walls of Jeru-  
 salem, and several cities (as Tadmor or Palmyra, in the  
 Syrian desert). Solomon renewed the *commercial league*  
 with Hiram, king of Tyre, and, in conjunction with him,  
 sent ships from the Edomitic harbours of Elath and Ezion-  
 Geber to Ophir, probably an emporium on the Arabian  
 gulf<sup>2</sup>, and to Tarshish (Tartessus in Spain?). *A love of  
 magnificence and luxury* was manifested in the arrangements  
 of the court, the sacrifices, the troops of strange wives and  
 concubines introduced by the king after his perversion to  
 idolatry, and the vast number of horses. To support this  
 C extravagant expenditure, heavy contributions were exacted  
 from the people, without any adequate advantage being  
 gained by the remoter provinces. A conspiracy was in  
 consequence organized by Jeroboam (of the tribe of  
 Ephraim), who, on the discovery of his treason, fled into  
 Egypt. Syria revolted, and the Edomites remained merely  
 as tributaries under kings of their own.
- 18 REHOBOAM, Solomon's son, having rejected a petition  
 D for an alleviation of the public burdens, ten tribes at  
 once chose Jeroboam, and formed the kingdom of Israel,  
 only the southern tribes of *Judah* and *Benjamin* remaining  
 faithful to Rehoboam: these two tribes composed the king-  
 dom of Judah. This political separation produced also  
 an ecclesiastical schism, the tribe of Levi remaining  
 in Judah and celebrating the worship of Jehovah in the  
 national temple, whilst the tribes of Israel, renouncing  
 their allegiance to the priesthood at Jerusalem, as well as

<sup>1</sup> The *hard questions* in which the Queen of Sheba came to prove him (1 Kings x. 1).

<sup>2</sup> Kùlb (Hist. of Travels and Discoveries in Africa, i.) supposes Ophir to have been Sofala, on the eastern coast of Africa.

to the throne of David, with its promise of perpetual (18) duration, offered sacrifices on the high places, and adopted a very generally the Egyptian worship of beasts, and the adoration of the Phœnician idol Baal.

# VI. *The Kingdoms of Judah and Israel.*

(FROM B.C. 975.)

From this period the KINGDOM OF ISRAEL, with its capital Samaria (formerly Sichem), became a prey to intestine commotions, and only lasted (under nineteen kings) until the year B.C. 722. The kings, who sought, by B favouring foreign idolatry, to prevent the people from visiting the Temple at Jerusalem, and thus to render the separation of the two kingdoms permanent, were strenuously opposed by a party of faithful worshippers of Jehovah, headed by the divinely-commissioned prophets, Elijah, Elisha, &c., who denounced the foreign rites and the worship of the high places, and endeavoured to re-establish the connexion with Judah. These struggles produced revolutions, which were the more frequent, because, since the revolt of the tribes from the chosen family of David, the right of their kings to the throne had no better c foundation than national opinion. Hence, repeated wars with their heathen neighbours (particularly the Syrians), to which they were urged by the exhortations of the prophets. The Assyrian king, Tiglath-Pileser, took most of the cities of Israel by storm, and his successor, Shalmaneser, put an end to the kingdom of Israel, after the surrender of Samaria to his forces in 722. Most of the inhabitants were transported to the interior of Asia, and their place in Palestine supplied by Asiatic colonists, the mixture of whom with the Israelites at home produced the race of the Samaritans.

THE KINGDOM OF JUDAH, with its capital, Jerusalem, lasted from B.C. 975 to 586, under nineteen kings and one D queen (Athaliah) of the house of David, most of whom supported the *Aaronic* priesthood, and maintained the worship of Jehovah, but there were some who persisted in favouring idolatry, and offering sacrifices on the high places, in defiance of the rebukes, warnings, and lamentations of the prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, &c.). After a succession of wars, for the most part disastrous, with the kingdom of Israel and their heathen neighbours, Judah became

- (19) tributary to the Assyrians (who had formed an establish-  
 A ment in the adjoining country of Israel), and at a later  
 period (after the death of Josiah, who fell in battle against  
 Pharaoh-Nechoh) to the Egyptians; and lastly, after the  
 overthrow of that nation at Karkemisch (Circesium), to  
 Babylon.

Zedekiah, who had been placed on the throne by the  
 Babylonians, having rebelled, Nebuchadnezzar stormed  
 Jerusalem, B.C. 586, plundered and burnt the Temple, and  
 carried off the greater part of the inhabitants to Babylon, a  
 few being left behind, under the government of a viceroy,  
 B for the cultivation of the corn-land and vineyards.

### VII. *The Israelites under the rule of the Persians.*

(B.C. 538—332.)

- 20 After the capture of Babylon by Cyrus, the Jews were  
 not only permitted by that sovereign to return to their own  
 land after an exile of seventy years, but were presented  
 with the treasures which had been plundered from their  
 Temple, protection being also granted to them for the re-  
 storation of the building. At first, however, only a small  
 c body of the exiles (50,000) returned to Palestine, which  
 now formed a district of the Persian satrapy of Syria.  
 The administration of civil affairs was left by the satraps  
 for the most part to the high priest, who was now, for the  
 first time probably, assisted by a council of seventy-one  
 elders. During the reigns of Cambyses and Smerdis, the  
 building of the Temple was obstructed by the Samaritans,  
 who had been excluded from a participation in the work,  
 and was not finally completed until the reign of Darius I.  
 The Jewish colony, already established in Judæa, was  
 D joined by new settlers under the command of Ezra and  
 Nehemiah.

### § 7. *Literature, Arts, and Sciences.*

- 21 LITERATURE.

The exclusive and sacred character of the divine oracles  
 was naturally an impediment to the growth of any *mere*  
*literature* among the Jews. Before the exile the arts of  
 reading and writing were confined to but a few, principally  
 to the Priests, Levites, and Prophets. The commandments  
 of God and the miraculous events of the national history

were communicated *orally* by parents to their children, (21) whose curiosity their religious institutions were calculated <sup>A</sup> and intended to excite (*Deut. vi. 7, sqq.*).

POETRY.—The poetry of the Israelites is distinguished by a majestic simplicity, great strength of expression, elevation, and originality. It differs from all other national poetry, not only in its *substance*, derived from divine *inspiration*, and filled therefore with the spirit and power of religious wisdom, but also in its *form*, being constructed without *metre*, and in a rhythm which consists merely of a correspondence in the length and structure of the *sentences*, that of the syllables being entirely neglected. Their poems are, <sup>B</sup>  
 1. *Lyrical*, like the Psalms (almost all of which are of the time of David, and, generally speaking, his own compositions), and the Song of Solomon; 2. *Didactic*, either in short detached sentences, like the Proverbs of Solomon, or in the form of dialogues, like the book of Job; 3. *Lyrico-didactic*, like the Lamentations and prophecies of the four greater prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel), and the twelve lesser ones.

THE ARTS.—There was no opportunity for the attainment of *architectural excellence* among the Israelites, since they had only *one* Temple (built by Phœnician architects), the pattern of which had been prescribed by God Himself; nor do they seem to have possessed any other public building worthy of notice. Still less could *painting* and *sculpture* flourish among a people, who, being forbidden by their religion to make any carved or molten image as a representation of the invisible God, were restricted to mere decoration. <sup>C</sup>

On the other hand, *music*, on account of its use in the Temple worship, especially from the time of David, seems to have attained a certain degree of perfection.

Their *trade* with foreign nations was intentionally <sup>D</sup> prevented by the Mosaic law against intercourse with foreigners; at a later period its development was impeded by the vicinity of the Phœnicians and Arabians, who shared the commerce of Asia between them; Palestine, nevertheless, exported a considerable quantity of corn, oil, honey, and balsam. The commerce established by Solomon in conjunction with Hiram at the ports of Elath and Ezion-Geber (which had been added to his dominions by David),

- (21) ceased with the loss of those provinces. Their internal  
 A trade was more important, Jerusalem being the scene of  
 an animated traffic thrice a year at their great national  
 Festivals.

## II. *The Indians.*

- 22 *Sources of information.*—Neither *native* historians nor annalists.  
 The authorities for Indian religion, legislature, and literature, are the  
*Vedas*, or four ancient collections of religious notices, neither be-  
 longing to *one* time nor compiled by *one* writer. The principal  
 authority, however, on legal questions, is Manu's (the first mortal,  
 grandson of Brahma) code of civil laws, a compilation, gradually  
 formed, of written or traditionary laws with an immense mass of  
 B commentary. Among *Greek* writers, the most credible accounts are  
 found in Herodotus (iii. 94), Strabo, and Claudius Ptolemæus. On  
 the other hand, the "*Indica*" of Ctesias is almost entirely fabulous,  
 and the "*Iudica*" of Arrian, with many fragments from the ex-  
 cellent accounts of Megasthenes and other eye-witnesses, contains  
 also a great deal of exaggeration, introduced for the sake of flat-  
 tering Alexander the Great. Among the *Roman* authorities is Pliny  
 (Hist. Nat.), whose account, although copious, is disfigured by his  
 love of the marvellous and exaggerated. The writings of Q. Curtius  
 contain little that is new or worthy of credit.

*Books of reference.*—The "*Transactions*," published by the Asiatic  
 societies at Calcutta (in 20 vols.), Bombay (3 vols.), and Madras,  
 (1 vol.), and edited by the London Asiatic Society in 3 volumes;  
 A. W. von Schlegel's *Indian Library*, 2 vols. 1820-6; Heeren's  
*Historical Works*, 12 vols., 1824; P. Von Bohnen's *Ancient India*,  
 with especial reference to the Egyptians, 2 vols.<sup>1</sup>, 1830.

### § 8. *Geography of Ancient India.*

- 23 *NAME AND BOUNDARIES.*—The name of *INDIA*, which  
 c is derived from the river Indus, is generally employed by  
 Greek and Latin writers to designate the countries of the  
 South generally, but most frequently southern Arabia and  
 Ethiopia. The later division into India intra and extra  
 Gangem, although still inaccurate, indicates a more correct  
 knowledge of the country. The name of Hindostan,  
 first introduced by the Mahometans, is given to the tract  
 of country lying between the Indus and Burrampooter,  
 and between the Himalayan mountains and the Indian  
 ocean.
- 24 India, the middlemost of the three tropical peninsulas of southern  
 Asia is, as it were, from this circumstance the Italy of the East.  
 D Its central position makes it the connecting point between different  
 countries, whilst its definitely marked limits favour the development
- <sup>1</sup> [The production of a rationalist, who, like other rationalists,  
 is often absurdly *credulous*.]

of a peculiar cultivation of its own. It has also *advantages* of soil (24) and climate above the other two ; for from its variety of surface, its mountains and its valleys, its productions are of the most varied character, from those of the tropics to those of the poles. Hence it was from the earliest times the goal of conquerors and settlers, the emporium of the world's commerce, the exporter to all climes and in all ages of the richest productions of nature (precious stones and spices), extends 330 geographical miles in breadth (the distance from Bayonne to Constantinople), and 400<sup>1</sup> in length (that of Naples from Archangel).

**FACE OF THE COUNTRY AND RIVERS.** The continent of 25 India consists of an *Alpine*, a *lowland*, and a *highland* district, and is separated from the rest of Asia by almost inaccessible mountains.

1. The *Alpine* district is bounded on the north by the <sup>B</sup> great limitary range of the *Himâlaya* (= *dwelling of snow*), of which twenty peaks exceed the South American *Chimborazo* : *Dawalaghiri* (about its centre 27,000 feet high) and *Chumulare* (29,000) are the highest elevations in the world. The *Himâlaya* descends down to the Indian plain by many terraces, as it were, of lower elevations.

2. The *Lowland* country stretches in the centre, between the Alpine and highland districts, in the form of a triangle, from the bay of Bengal to the Persian gulf, and is separated into two regions of very opposite character ; viz. the <sup>C</sup> fertile plain of the sacred Ganges and Burrampooter, which unite before they enter the sea, and forming a delta, discharge their waters by several mouths into the bay of Bengal ; and the plain, for the most part barren and waste, of the Indus, the five tributary streams of which (the *Hydaspes*, *Acesînes* (*Acesînus*), *Hydraôtes*, *Hyphâsis*, and *Satadrus*,) water the *Punjâb*, or land of the five rivers, which is fertile, and in parts well cultivated.

3. The *Table-land* of Deccan, surrounded on three sides <sup>D</sup> by the sea, is a uniform triangular peninsula, the eastern and western borders of which are formed by the Ghaut mountains, whilst the *Vindhaya* range, which forms its northern boundary, slopes in terraces down to the valley, and the middle consists of one unbroken tract of table-land.

**THE ISLANDS.**—That Ceylon and the more distant 26 islands of the East Indian Archipelago, as Sumatra, Java,

<sup>1</sup> About 1200 and 1600 English miles.

- (26) Bornéo, Celëbes, &c., were peopled and cultivated by  
 A Hindû tribes, is evident from the Sanscrit names of the mountains, cities, and rivers, and the complexion, manners, and institutions of the islanders, as well as from the stupendous vestiges of Indian architecture, with which the islands abound.
- 27 PRODUCTIONS.—From its variety of geographical breadth, of elevation, of warmth and moisture, the nature of its soil and rivers, no portion of the earth is equal perhaps in the riches and variety of its productions to India.
- B The peculiarity of the Indian flowers, especially in the well-watered district of the Ganges, consists in this, that while in the hot season (seed-time, *May*, harvest, *October*) the productions are those of the tropics, in the cooler season (seed-time, *October*, harvest, *March* or *April*) they are those of the temperate zones. The tropical productions are most luxuriant in Bengal, the garden of Asia, which is enriched by periodical rains and floods, and favoured by the mildness of its temperature, and fertility of its soil.
- C The chief of these productions are—in the *vegetable* kingdom, the cocoa-tree, the richest spices and southern fruits, rice, sugar, all sorts of aromatic woods, cedar, teak, the timber of which is almost imperishable, the cotton shrub, indigo, the sacred banyan-tree, and the equally hallowed lotus—in the *animal* kingdom, buffaloes, used for draught and riding, elephants, lions, tigers, jackals, large wild dogs, apes, serpents, peacocks, parrots, silk-worms, and innumerable insects—in the *mineral* kingdom, gold, (in the streams of the Himâlaya,) silver, diamonds, saltpetre, &c.: pearls in the coral-reefs, between Ceylon and the mainland.
- 28 INHABITANTS.—The Hindûs, of Caucasian race, and an  
 D aboriginal negro tribe, the Parias, who are sometimes to a certain extent civilized, but as frequently savage, living on garbage, and sunk into the lowest state of degradation. The dialect in which the classical works of the Indians are written, and which has been a dead language since the time of the Mahometans, is called Sanscrita, i. e. 'the perfect,' in contradistinction to the popular dialects which have sprung from it, and which bear the general name of Prâkrita (common, vulgar).

### § 9. *Fragments of the Ancient History of India.*

- 29 As the expeditions of Semiramis and Sesostris belong to legendary lore, little is known respecting the history of



India before the time of Alexander the Great, beyond the (29) fact that certain nations on the banks of the Indus were sub- A dued by Darius the son of Hystaspes. Alexander the Great found several kingdoms already existing in the Punjâb, some of which he restored, after his conquest of the country, to their former kings (as Taxiles and Porus), and placed others under the jurisdiction of Macedonian satraps. His successors lost the Indian provinces during their disputes respecting the partition of the kingdom, Sandrocottus, king of the Prasians on the Ganges, having expelled the governors appointed by Alexander, and founded, about the year 312, an empire, which extended from the Ganges over the whole of the Punjâb, and a great part of Aria, Arachosia, and Gedrosia, but at a later period was first circumscribed, and then entirely destroyed by the Bactrian kings. The conquests of the Bactrians in B India were soon transferred to the Parthians, and from them to the Scythians, who were utterly defeated by the Indian king, Vikramâdityas, B.C. 56, and the Indo-Scythian empire broken up. Then follows another period of darkness until the time of the Mahometan invasions (about A.D. 1000), during which the peace of southern India seems to have been grievously disturbed by the religious feuds of the Brahmins and Buddhists.

§ 10. *Religion, political Condition, Literature, &c. of the ancient Indians.*

1. RELIGION.

*The Brahminical system.* The original religion of the 30 c Indians consisted in a veneration of nature, with some sort of vague acknowledgement of a Supreme Being. This primary cause they termed Brahma, and honoured the Sun as his representative under the name of Brahman. Together with Brahmaism there arose in northern India two forms of popular worship,—the fierce *Sivaism*, or worship of fire, and the milder system of *Vishnu*, which venerated water and air as the great elementary powers.

Their three great deities, Brahman, Vishnu, and Siva, which form D the Trinity of Indian theology (the Trimûrtis), must be considered, like all their other gods, as nothing more than personifications of the Supreme Being's power, as displayed in the creation, preservation, and destruction of all things. The will of God that the world should be created was revealed through Brahman; that it should continue to exist through Vishnu, and that the works of creation should be

(30) destroyed through Siva. Vishnu ten times assumes the human form, in order to revive the expiring virtue of mankind. Their religious observances are,—prayers, purifications, sacrifices of various sorts, rejoicings at most of their religious festivals, severe penances, and retirement in old age, generally accompanied by ascetic mortification of the body. The practice of burning widows prevails only among the followers of Vishnu, and is subject, even among them, to many restrictions.

31 The *Buddhist Reformation* (about B. C. 1000). The reformer of the stern Brahminical system, or founder of the milder religion of Buddha, was Gautamas, surnamed Buddhas, i. e. the Wise (son of the king of Magadha), who seems either himself to have given out that he was an incarnation of the god Vishnu, or in process of time to have passed for the manifestation of that deity in a human form. He rejected the system of caste (33 A); forbade bloody sacrifices and the burning of widows, whom he permitted to marry again; required the priests to lead a life of chastity, celibacy, self-denial, and renunciation of all worldly possessions: a system which led to the establishment of several Buddhist monasteries. The humane and tolerant worship of Buddha had spread itself in the fourth or fifth century before Christ over all the East Indian islands; and about the year B. C. 200 had reached China, and through the emigrations caused by the intolerance of the Brahmins, had extended as far as Korea, Japan, Tibet, and Mongolin.

32 2. CONSTITUTION. Their form of government was monarchical, and the succession to the throne hereditary, according to priority of birth. The king could make grants of land to any individual, and again withdraw them, except in the case of the priests, whose estates, granted to them in lieu of a money payment, were inviolable and exempt from taxation. In accordance with this practice, the king appointed governors over the larger provinces, who again made grants of the smaller districts to inferior officers and farmers, on condition of receiving a rent, which varied in amount according to the times and circumstances, and of being furnished in time of war with a certain contingent of young men, of the warrior caste, capable of bearing weapons.

33 The king, sprung from this caste, seems to have been surrounded by a body of priests, but it does not distinctly appear what share they had in the government. He chose his ministers from the caste of Brahmins, and took counsel with his senate of grey-haired men;

but seems, nevertheless, to have acted on all occasions according to his own discretion. His most important duty was the administration of justice ; for which purpose a court, consisting of ten learned and aged Brahmins, was established in each province, the king himself being the supreme court of appeal. <sup>(33)</sup> <sup>A</sup>

From the earliest times the people have been divided into four CASTES :—

*a.* The *Brahmins* (i. e. descendants and worshippers of 34 Brahma), who are sacred and inviolable, more highly educated than the other castes, exempt from taxation, and subjected to less severe punishment than others for any violation of the laws. They seem to be highly esteemed, <sup>B</sup> and to exercise considerable influence in all political affairs. Only a fourth part of the caste are priests, the remainder being employed as teachers, judges, physicians, or in some other honorable office.

*b.* The *Warrior-caste* — Kshatriyas (i. e. averters of devastation). The king must be of this caste.

*c.* The *Visās* (i. e. inhabitants), the agricultural and trading caste.

*d.* The *Sūdras* (i. e. fugitives); the people properly so called, divided into guilds, and employed in a variety of trades, manufactures, arts, and even in commerce. They <sup>C</sup> are excluded from reading and hearing the Vedas, but are not considered altogether unclean, like the Parias.

3. LITERATURE. The literature of the ancient Indians, the extent of which has not yet been fully ascertained, consists of—

*a.* Their sacred writings, comprehended under the title of *Sāstra* (i. e. the guide, the law), and divided into eighteen classes. At the head of these stand the four Vedas, with their numerous commentaries and explanations. The remainder treats of various arts and sciences <sup>D</sup> (music, dancing, military tactics, mechanical arts, grammar, and lexicography, religious usages, and astronomy, legislation, philosophy, &c.), and concludes with the Purānas or antiquities, and the religious Epopee.

The practical sciences, such as geography, natural philosophy, and medicine, seem to have been in their infancy among the ancient Indians. Individual discoveries of considerable merit are overlaid with poetical fictions and religious myths. Their labours in the abstract and speculative sciences, such as mathematics and philosophy, are of a more respectable character. To them we are in-

- (34) debted for the invention of numerals and algebra. Of their religious epic poems, which in many respects bear a great resemblance to the poetry of Homer, the two most ancient and famous are—  
 A 1. The Rāmāyana (of Vālmikis), which relates, in 24,000 double verses, the seventh incarnation of Vishnu (Ramas) and his expedition to Ceylon. 2. The Māhābhārata (of Vyāsas), which describes in nearly 100,000 double verses a civil war between two kindred races, with a great number of episodes.

b. Their *profane* writings, including their lyric and dramatic poetry.

- B The Indian drama, which, like that of Greece, is a development of their ancient sacrificial hymns and rural dances, has chosen its subjects from the celestial world and the lives of heroes, as well as from the realms of philosophy and the domestic circle; employing also, in most instances, the religious Epopee. The most renowned dramatic writer of Indian antiquity was Kalidasas, who flourished in the first century before Christ. The Sakuutalā of this author was the first of his works known in Europe.

### 35 ART.

- Architecture.* The monuments of Indian architecture, which are on a more stupendous scale than those of any  
 c other nation, may be divided into three classes. 1. SUBTERRANEAN TEMPLES, hewn out of the solid rock; remarkable for their extent, the grandeur of the plan, and its careful execution, and the richness of the statues and relievos which cover the walls. They are found in different parts of the country, but the most magnificent are at Ellore, where the mountain of the gods, as it is termed, is hollowed out from its base to its summit into innumerable temples, forming a complete Pantheon.—  
 2. ROCK-TEMPLES, above ground, hewn out of the solid rock. Of these the most celebrated are the seven pagodas, or monuments of the rock-city Mahabalipuram, on the  
 D coast of Coromandel.—3. BUILDINGS, PROPERLY SO CALLED, formed of masses of stone. These edifices are partly of a religious character (as the temples, called by Europeans pagodas, which are generally in the form of pyramids and obelisks, and are often superior in magnitude and colossal architecture to the monuments of Egypt, which they almost invariably surpass in elegance of execution and arrangement of the details); partly erected for secular purposes, like the castles and fortresses which are seen in great numbers on insulated crags.

The attainment of excellence in the art of *sculpture* was

rendered almost impossible by a religious law, which prohibited any change in the existing form of their sacred images. (35)

Of *painting* we find the earliest distinct traces in their dramatic representations.

That *music* attained perfection at an early period among the Indians, and was raised to the rank of a science, is manifested by the great variety of their instruments, as well as by the number of Sanscrit treatises on the theory of harmony.

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#### COMMERCE.

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Their *home traffic* was carried on, not so much by caravans as by individual traders, who employed tame elephants for the conveyance of their wares by land, and vessels for river and coast navigation. Their sacred stations, to which hundreds of thousands of pilgrims resorted, were the principal markets for the sale of domestic produce.

The *foreign trade* was in three directions:—1. To the *North-East*, especially to China, whence they imported silk. 2. To the *East*, or peninsula on the other side, named by the Greeks Chryse, in consequence of the great quantity of gold brought from its coasts. From the numerous harbours and commercial stations on the coasts of Coromandel and Ceylon, a brisk trade was carried on between the two extremities of India. 3. To the *West*, from the Malabar coast to Arabia, whence they imported frankincense, and by Arabian ships to the eastern or gold coast of Africa.

The principal exports were—spices, the sugar-cane, precious stones, especially diamonds, pearls, various sorts of Indian cloth, from the finest gauze and embroidered satin to nankeen and cotton stuffs, figured with grotesque representations of animals and plants in the brightest colours, &c. &c.

### III. *The Babylonians.*

SOURCES OF INFORMATION.—*Native*.—BERÖSUS, a priest of Bel and astrologer at Babylon, wrote, about the year B.C. 268, a work, entitled *Βαβυλωνικά* (in three vols.), compiled from ancient records preserved at Babylon, and from stamped tiles. His book comprised the histories of Babylon, Assyria, and Media. (Fragments of this work are preserved in Josephus, Eusebius, and Syncellus.) 2. ABYDENUS, a scholar probably of Berosus, who wrote *περί τῆς τῶν Χαλδαίων Βασιλείας*. (Fragments in Eusebius, Cyrillus, and Syncellus.) 37

- (37) *Hebrew*.—The BIBLE, particularly the Books of Kings and the Prophets (especially Daniel).

<sup>A</sup> *Greek*.—1. HERODOTUS; see particularly B. I. c. 178—199. 2. CTESIAS, a native of Cnidus in Caria, and body physician to Artaxerxes II., compiled from oral accounts and the annals of the Persian kingdom a Persian history (Περσικῶν, 23 B.); of which nothing is extant except a quotation in Photius, and some fragments in Diodorus. His Babylonian history (in B. I—III.) contradicts in many particulars both the Bible and Herodotus. 3. DIODORUS SICULUS, in B. II. of his Βιβλιοθήκη Ἱστορική. 4. EUSEBIUS, Bishop of Cæsarea (A.D. 300), wrote a Chronikon in two Books, of which only fragments were known, until the discovery at Constantinople of an Armenian translation, which has also been rendered into Latin.

### § 11. Geography of Babylon.

- 38 SITUATION. Babylon, called also Chaldæa, and in the Bible Sinear or Senaar, extended on both sides of the Euphrates southwards, from the central bend of the river and the Median wall (which separated it from Mesopotamia) to the Persian gulf.

SOIL. An entirely flat alluvial land, which, on account of the want of rain, is watered by canals by means of hydraulic machines, and then produces from two to three hundred fold. The only tree that flourishes in this soil is the palm, of which there are great numbers. Its fruit not only served for food, but produced also a sort of wine and honey.

- 39 The want of wood and stone is supplied by an inexhaustible abundance of clay for making bricks, and instead of lime they used naphtha or bitumen (of which there are large fountains in the neighbourhood), with layers of reed and palm-leaves.

RIVERS. The *Euphrātes* and the *Tigris*; the last of which is very rapid; hence its name *Tigris*, which signifies the arrow. Both rise in Armenia, and unite their streams fifteen miles above their entrance into the Persian gulf at Pasitigris (*Shut-ul-Arab*).

The Euphrates generally overflows its banks in winter, and still oftener in spring, when the snow begins to melt on the Armenian mountains. These inundations were restrained by dams, or carried off by canals (the largest of which, the royal canal, communicated with the Tigris, and was navigable for ships of considerable burden) either into the Tigris, the bed of which is lower than that of the Euphrates, or into marshes and artificial lakes.

- 40 CITIES.—1. Babylon, or Babel (i. e. 'confusion'), was built in the form of a quadrangle on both sides of the Euphrates. Each side was 120 stadia (three geogr. miles)

in length, consequently the whole circumference of the city (40) was 480 stadia, or 12 miles; the whole surrounded by a ditch and a wall, 50 yards in breadth and 200 yards high, with 250 towers, and 100 brazen gates. The city, however, was by no means thickly inhabited, a great part of the space within the walls being occupied by fields and gardens. The walls have been destroyed, in later times, for the purpose of constructing other buildings from the materials. 2. Borsippa. 3. Cunaxa (battle in 401).

BUILDINGS OF BABYLON.—The most magnificent were—1. *The Temple of Bel, or Babylonian Tower*; which consisted of eight towers or stories, one above the other, diminishing gradually in size as they approached the summit, which was crowned with a temple, containing the couch and golden table of the god. Here the priests made those astronomical observations for which they were so famous. A staircase ran all round the tower. Even in the time of Alexander it was a heap of ruins. 2. *The old Royal Palace*, on both sides of the Euphrates. 3. *The New Palace*, begun by Nabopolassar and completed by Nebuchadnezzar, who added, for the gratification of his wife Nitocris, *the hanging gardens*, i. e. gardens laid out in the form of terraces over arches.

## § 12. *History of the Babylonians.*

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EMPIRE.—According to the express declaration of *Scripture*, Babylon was a more ancient state than Assyria. It was founded by *Nimrod* probably about the year 2000, and from it Assyria was peopled.

The *Greeks* mention, as the founder of the Babylonian empire, *Bel* (i. e. Lord or King), to whom they ascribed all the ancient institutions, of which the founders and date were unknown. According to the same authority, his son *Ninus* was founder of the Assyrian empire. One writer alone, *Ctesias*, asserts that Assyria was the mother country. The *native legends*, preserved by *Berosus*, speak of ten kings who ruled Babylon before the deluge. In the reign of the third, there rose out of the Erythræan sea a being named *Oannes*, half man and half fish, who taught men the arts and sciences, and communicated to them a legend respecting the creation of the world. The meaning of this fable probably was,—that the Babylonians were indebted for their civilization to a people who came over the sea, from Egypt or Meroë. Under the last of these kings (*Xisuthrus*), there was a great deluge, from which the king and his family were saved in a ship.

The history of the Babylonian empire, from the deluge to the Persian conquest, comprehends, according to *Berosus*, seven dynasties, the sixth of which (of forty-five

- (43) *Assyrian* kings) continued, according to the same authority, 526 years; a statement which is confirmed by the assertion of Herodotus (I. 95), that the Assyrian rule over Upper Asia lasted 520 years. From this Assyrian domination the Babylonians delivered themselves, in the year B.C. 747, under *Nabonassar*, with whom begins the seventh dynasty of nineteen native kings. (The era of Nabonassar reckons from the 26th of February, 747.) Repeated attempts were made by the Assyrians to repossess themselves of Babylon, which for a short period was again subject to them. Under *Nabopolassar*, the fourteenth king of this dynasty (625—604), happened probably the immigration of the Chaldæans from Mesopotamia; which they were compelled, it would seem, to abandon by the Scythians, who had lately invaded their country. This sovereign, in conjunction with the Medes, put an end to the Assyrian empire, destroyed Nineveh, and received for his share the western portion of the empire (Mesopotamia, Phœnicia, Syria, and Israel). When Necho, in his victorious progress from Egypt, advanced to the banks of the Euphrates, Nabopolassar sent out his son Nebuchadnezzar, who overthrew the invader near Carchemish (Circesium), and compelled him to disgorge Syria with Palestine (B.C. 604). Meanwhile Nabopolassar died, and was succeeded by *Nebuchadnezzar* (Ναβουχοδονόσορος) (604—561). In his pursuit of the *Egyptians*, this monarch advanced as far as Pelusium, and carried off a number of Jews to Babylon. The kingdom of *Judah* having refused to pay tribute, and formed an alliance with Egypt, Nebuchadnezzar laid siege to the city of Jerusalem, which surrendered after being closely invested for one year and a half. The city was plundered and destroyed (B.C. 586); the king, Zedekiah, had his eyes put out, and most of the inhabitants were carried away as prisoners to Babylon.
- D Those who remained in Judah were subjected to the jurisdiction of a Babylonian governor. Nebuchadnezzar waged a third war against the *Phœnicians*, because they had formed an alliance with Zedekiah, destroyed Sidon, and besieged Tyre thirteen years without success. Thus his empire extended from the Nile to the Tigris. After his return he built the new royal palace, with the hanging gardens, for his wife Nitocris; and laid the foundations,



on the other side the Euphrates, of a second half of the (43) city, which he surrounded with a triple intrenchment. A

During his seven years of madness the government was administered by Nitocris. This queen dug a lake, into which the waters of the Euphrates could be conveyed, built a bridge over the river, and erected a monument, with a lying inscription, in honour of herself. 44

His fourth successor, and the last king of the Babylonians, was *Nabonēdus*, called by Herodotus *Labynētus*, who supported Cræsus ineffectually against Cyrus, and on that account was besieged by the Persians in Babylon. The river Euphrates being diverted from its course into the lake constructed by Nitocris, the city was taken whilst the inhabitants were celebrating a feast, and Babylon reduced to the condition of a Persian province<sup>1</sup> (B.C. 538).

### § 13. *Religion, Literature, &c. of the Babylonians.*

1. RELIGION.—The religion of the Shemites<sup>2</sup>, and of 45 the ancient Asiatics generally, was that of nature; i.e. a B deification of her powers and laws, and the offering up of prayers to objects in which those powers were supposed to exist. In this natural religion the Godhead is not, as in the religion of the Hebrews, a distinct self-existent ruler by whom nature is governed, but the innate powers of nature herself, as she reveals them according to fixed laws, sometimes in creation and preservation, and then again in the destruction of her own works; thus exciting in the minds of men at one time admiration, love, and adoration, and at another, terror, and a desire to avert her anger. The C most common idea of the Godhead among Asiatic nations, who profess the religion of nature, is that it consists (after the analogy of mortals) of a male and female. Thus Baal is the active, and Baaltis the passive power of nature; the one a creative, conservative, but at the same time destructive element, the other the concipient and productive principle. This sexual distinction, which extends to all the powers and phenomena of nature, seems to have occasioned at an early period the grammatical distinction of

<sup>1</sup> According to Xenophon (Cyrop. vii. 5), and Daniel (v. 30), the king lost his life when the city was taken; but Berosus asserts that he escaped to Borsippa, gave himself up to Cyrus, and ended his life in Carmania.

<sup>2</sup> To the Shemites belonged the Assyrians, Babylonians, Phœnicians, Carthaginians, and Lydians.

45) genders as applied to inanimate objects. A later step in  
 A the development of material religion was the representation  
 of gods with human characters and the human form. To  
 complete this notion, the gods were described as dwelling  
 on earth, and as the founders of families, especially those  
 of kings and princes, suffering the trials of mortality, and  
 at last dying and reposing in sepulchres, which were still  
 to be seen. Thus we find, that wherever any divinity was  
 especially venerated, he or she had been in ancient times  
 the king or queen of the country, and that the guardian  
 deities of cities were generally their founders. The first  
 rank among the Shemitic divinities is assigned to Bel  
 (Belitan), their first king, who subdued the whole east,  
 beginning with Syria, and stands at the head of all the  
 B Shemitic royal pedigrees. From him the Babylonians  
 gave their city the name of Babel (i.e. the court of Bel),  
 and ascribed to him the erection of their famous wall, and  
 even of the tower of Babel. In this fortress he was ac-  
 customed to watch the movements of the heavenly bodies  
 from a lofty observatory, and communicate his discoveries  
 to the Chaldæans.

46 Of the five planets, two, Jupiter and Venus, were considered be-  
 neficent powers by the Chaldæans, and all the other astrologers of  
 C those days. Mars and Saturn were destructive, and Mercury some-  
 times good and sometimes malignant, according to his position. The  
 Chaldæan priests believed that the will of the gods and the destinies  
 of men might be learned from the position, rising, and setting of the  
 planets, and in the course of their observations made many scientific  
 discoveries.

47 2. THE CONSTITUTION. "The King of kings," who  
 received divine honours from his people, and exercised un-  
 controlled and irresponsible power, resided in his tower,  
 surrounded by an immense multitude of officers and at-  
 D tendants. The empire was divided into satrapies, which  
 were governed despotically by the king's lieutenants.  
 Considerable authority was also possessed by the priestly  
 caste of the Magi, who were termed pre-eminently "Chal-  
 dæans" (Kasdim), and were sole possessors of all the  
 learning of those days, which they communicated by tra-  
 dition to members of their own caste.

48 3. TRADE. The favorable position of their country,  
 midway between the Indus and the Mediterranean, in the  
 neighbourhood of the Persian gulf, and on the banks of two

navigable rivers, rendered Babylon the centre of com- (48)  
mercial communication between Upper and Lower Asia. A

a. The *land trade* was carried on by means of caravans, *eastward*, with India (from which they imported precious stones, hounds, and colouring substances), and with Bactria (for gold); *westward*, with Asia and Phœnicia, up the Euphrates as far as Thapsacus, and thence by caravans. Their exports to these countries were Arabian and Indian produce.

b. *Trade on the Euphrates*, by leathern boats, which brought wine from Armenia.

c. *Maritime commerce* was carried on, not so much by the Babylonians themselves, as through the Phœnicians settled on the coasts of *Arabia*, and the Arabians beyond the Persian gulf: 1. with *Arabia* (especially with the Chaldæan colony of Gerra and the islands of Tylus and Aradus), whence they brought back pearls, cotton, frankincense, and timber for ship-building; and, 2. with the western coast of *India*, from which they imported spices, ivory, ebony, precious stones, pearls; and with Ceylon, which sent them cinnamon.

4. ARTS AND MANUFACTURES. Woollen and cotton 49  
stuffs and carpets, objects of luxury (perfumed waters, B  
carved *walking-sticks*, cut stones).

#### IV. *The Assyrians.*

SOURCES OF INFORMATION.—The same as those for Babylonian 50  
history. The most numerous, but at the same time most incredible and fabulous notices are found in *Ctesias* (B. 1—3). To these we may add *Trogus Pompeius*, a Gaul who flourished in the reign of Augustus. We have his universal history in the Latin extract of Justin (see the beginning of B. 1). *Herodotus*, in his history (i. 184; compare i. 106), refers to a separate history of Assyria, which has been lost.

#### § 14. *Geography of Assyria.*

NAME AND SITUATION. By the term Assyria we un- 51  
derstand—1. the *province*; comprehending all the country c  
between the Tigris and Media, southwards as far as Babylon, and northwards to Armenia, corresponding to what is now termed Kurdistan; 2. the *empire*; which, besides the province of Assyria, comprised Mesopotamia, Babylon, with Chaldæa, Media, and Persia. Sometimes the names of Assyria and Syria were interchanged.

SOIL. Mountainous in the north and east; well watered, D  
and consequently for the most part productive; produces bitumen. Chief and boundary river, the *Tigris*.

CITIES. *Nineveh* (ἡ Νῑνοϋς), the earlier city built by Ninus, was situated on the Tigris, probably where the

- (51) royal canal runs into the river; the more modern city of  
 A Ninus lay further north on the eastern bank of the Tigris. The old town was 480 stadia in circumference (150 in length, and 90 in breadth); its walls were 100 feet high, and broad enough to receive three carriages abreast, with 1500 towers, 200 feet in height. 2. *Gaugamēla* (ῥὰ Γ.), in the vicinity of *Arbēla* (ῥὰ Α.), the scene of Alexander's victory in 331.

### § 15. *History of the Assyrians.*

- 52 According to the Bible narrative, the Assyrian empire  
 B and its capital Nineveh were founded from Babylon, either by Nimrod himself, or by the emigration of the tribe of Assur<sup>1</sup>. Grecian writers ascribe the foundation either to Bel or to his son NINUS (a personification of the Babylonian colony), about 2000 years before Christ. To this monarch and his consort and successor SEMIRAMIS (daughter of the goddess Derkēto), Ctesias ascribes expeditions on a magnificent scale in Asia and Africa (against Bactria, Libya, Ethiopia, and India), in which the forces on both sides amounted to several millions.

C Semiramis founded commercial cities on both sides of the principal rivers, with causeways, canals, dams, extensive gardens, &c.; besides erecting memorials of her expeditions, one of which is still seen at Ecbatana. According to Ctesias, she conquered the greater part of Libya and Ethiopia, and at last undertook an expedition on the Indus against an Indian king, with an enormous force, consisting of 3,000,000 of infantry, 500,000 cavalry, and 100,000 chariots; and a fleet of 2000 ships. This multitude was met by a still more numerous army of Indians, who were vanquished by Semiramis; but the stratagem of her pretended elephants being discovered, the heroine was compelled to give way in her turn, and being wounded by the king, returned to Nineveh, where she soon afterwards died, and was numbered among the gods.

- 53 Semiramis was succeeded by her son NINYAS. This monarch  
 D and his successors (until Sardanapālus), whose number, names, and reigns are variously given, led for the most part an effeminate life in their palace, which was guarded by a standing army of 400,000 men, changed every year. During

<sup>1</sup> Whether Nimrod himself was the founder of the Assyrian empire is doubtful; for the passage (Gen. x. 11) may be interpreted—"From this country he (Nimrod) went to Assyria, and built Nineveh;" or it may signify—"From this country went Assur, and built Nineveh."

this period (according to Herodotus and Berosus) occurred (53) the subjection of Upper Asia to Assyrian rule. After an interval of thirty generations, we find the throne occupied by the effeminate TONOSKONKOLEROS, surnamed Sardanapālus (the Admirable), about the year B.C. 840. An insurrection of the Babylonians and Medes against this monarch produced the establishment of an independent Median empire, whilst that of the Assyrians, so far from being destroyed, continued to subsist under its own kings, the Babylonian empire being also incorporated with it<sup>1</sup>. There exists no record of the kings who succeeded Sardanapālus until the period when the history of Assyria becomes blended with that of Israel. We have then the following succession:—

PHUL (about B.C. 770), who compelled the Israelites to pay tribute.

Under TIGLATH-PIESAR the Babylonians revolted (747); but the Assyrians were indemnified for this loss by the acquisition of Syria and a part of Israel, which were invaded and conquered by their king on the invitation of the king of Judah. SALMANASSAR, 'Shalmaneser' (730), after the conquest of Samaria (in 722), destroyed the kingdom of Israel, which had refused to pay tribute at the instigation of the Egyptians. The Israelites were transported to Assyria, and Assyrians sent to supply their places. The conqueror then advanced as far as Phœnicia, which he subdued, with the exception of the insular city of Tyre, the siege of which he was compelled to raise, after his fleet had been defeated by the Tyrians. The Assyrian empire was now exceedingly flourishing; but again declined under SENNACHERIB<sup>2</sup> (Sanacharibos, about B.C. 713), who subdued

<sup>1</sup> According to Ctesias, this revolt of the governor Arbaces and the priest Belesys of Babylon ended in the destruction of Nineveh, and the complete dissolution of the Assyrian empire. But as it is spoken of in the Bible as continuing to exist after this period, and the names of Assyrian kings are given, by whom the kingdom of Israel was overthrown, some writers have tried to reconcile the discrepancy by supposing a *second* or *new Assyrian empire*. It is, however, certain that such an empire never existed; the supposition being grounded on the error of Ctesias, who places the destruction of Nineveh and the dissolution of the Assyrian empire in the reign of Sardanapalus I. instead of that of Sardanapalus II.

<sup>2</sup> [Between *Shalmaneser* and *Sennacherib* we meet with *Sargon* in Isa. xx. 1. Mr. Browne's dates are: *Shalmaneser*, 723; *Sargon*, cir. 718; *Sennacherib*, 713.]

- (54) the Babylonians, took their king prisoner, and made his  
 A own son king of Babel; but in an attempt on Judah was  
 not only compelled to raise the siege of Pelusium (the  
 bow-strings of his soldiers having been gnawed through, it  
 is said, by field-mice), but lost his army under the walls of  
 Jerusalem [by the miraculous interposition of God, of which  
 the tale just mentioned was probably a corrupted or disguised  
 version], and after his return was slain by his two eldest sons.  
 He was succeeded by his third son, ASSAR-HADDON ('Esar-  
 haddon,' about 700), who warded off the ruin of the empire  
 B for a time. Under the last of the Assyrian kings, Sardan-  
 apalus II. (or Sarak), an alliance was formed between  
 Nabopolassar, governor of Babylon, and Cyaxäres, king of  
 Media (whose daughter Nitocris was given in marriage to  
 Nebukadnezzar, the son of his ally), for the conquest of  
 Assyria; and the Assyrians were already overthrown in  
 an engagement and siege laid to Nineveh, when the Scy-  
 thians invaded Media, and kept possession of the country  
 for twenty-eight years. It was not until after their ex-  
 pulsion that Nineveh fell, and was utterly destroyed, pro-  
 bably about the year B.C. 604<sup>1</sup> [606, Browne and Zumpt;  
 Niebuhr, 625].

## 55 § 16. *Religion, Literature, &c. of the Assyrians.*

- C Notwithstanding the fertility of their soil, the Assyrians  
 never attained a high state of civilization. Their trade  
 was in the hands of foreigners; nor do we find among  
 them any traces of art or science, beyond the rough tactics  
 of a half-savage warfare. Their *religion* consisted in the  
 worship of the planets, like that of the Babylonians, but  
 under different names, and in the offering up of human

<sup>1</sup> This statement follows exactly the words of Herodotus (I. 103—106). According to the historian, the war of Cyaxares against the Assyrians and the siege of Nineveh were interrupted by an invasion of the Scythians. The conquest of Assyria is mentioned as occurring subsequently to the expulsion of the Scythians, and being the last act of the reign of Cyaxares. Now if his reign began in 633, the expulsion of the Scythians, after twenty-eight years' occupation of the land, could not be earlier than 605 or 604, and the taking of Nineveh could not, therefore, have occurred previously to the year 604. That it did not happen *later* than that year is evident from the prophecy of Jeremiah (xxv. 18), delivered in the first year of Nebuchadnezzar (i. e. B.C. 604), which does not mention Assyria among the nations threatened by Nebuchadnezzar, because Nineveh had been already destroyed. [Cf. *Ordo Sæclorum*, § 491.]

victims. Their *political constitution* was similar to that of (55) the Babylonian empire.

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### V. *The Medes.*

SOURCES OF INFORMATION. *Native*.—ZOROASTER'S Zend-Avesta. 56  
*Greek*.—Herodotus, i. 95—130. CTESIAS, B. 4—6 (in Diodorus, ii. 24—34). This author's account differs from that of Herodotus in the names of the kings, and in every other particular. XENOPHON of Athens, in his *Κύρου παιδεία*, contradicts both Herodotus and Ctesias.

#### § 17. *Geography of Media.*

BOUNDARIES.—On the north the Caspian sea, on the 57 east Hyrcania and Parthia (in ancient times the domi-<sup>B</sup>nion of the Medes seems also to have comprehended Aria and Bactria), on the south, Susiana and Persis, and on the west, Assyria and Armenia.

SOIL.—The *northern* part, afterwards named the *lesser* 58 *Media* or Atropatēne (now Aderbeidschan [Azerbaijan]), was a cold and barren tract of hilly country, whilst the *southern* or *greater Media* was a fertile plain, which produced wine and all sorts of southern fruits. In this district, on the Nisæan plains, were reared the white horses so famous for their size, sureness of foot, and swiftness.

The *Κάσπιαι πύλαι* was a narrow mountain pass, which formed the only means of communication with the north-eastern districts.

The capital, *Ecbatana* (called by Herodotus, τὰ Ἀγβά-<sup>c</sup>ρανα, now Hamadan), was built without walls on the slope of a hill, on the summit of which stood the royal castle, surrounded by seven walls increasing in height as they approached the centre, and crowned with battlements painted seven different colours. As the residence of the Median, and subsequently of the Persian, kings, as well as on account of its situation on the great commercial road between Babylon and India, Ecbatana soon became one of the fairest cities of Asia.

#### § 18. *History of the Medes.*

The first mention of the Medes is found in Berosus, 59 who speaks of Babylon being ruled by a dynasty of eight <sup>D</sup>Median kings. At a later period they became subject to the Assyrians, from whose dominion they emancipated

(59) themselves in the reign of Arbāces. For a succession of  
 A years, each tribe (of which Herodotus, i. 101, enumerates six) was governed by its own prince or chieftain, until the election of the judge DEIÖCES to be king of the whole nation. This sovereign (who reigned from 708—655) built the city of Ecbatana with its castle, established a body guard, and introduced a rigid court ceremonial.

He was succeeded by his son PHRAORTES (655—633), who subdued the Persians and other nations of Asia, but was slain in battle with the Assyrians. His son CYAXĀRES (633—593) was the first who divided the army regularly  
 B into cavalry soldiers, spearmen, and archers. He subdued western Asia as far as the river Halys. Having formed an alliance with the Babylonian king, Nabopolassar, Cyaxāres commenced a war with the Assyrians, and laid siege to Nineveh; but the Scythian Nomades (who had driven the Cimmerians out of Europe into Asia Minor) advanced into Media, defeated Cyaxāres, and remained masters for twenty-eight years (633—605) of the whole of western Asia as far as Syria, and even extended their conquests to Egypt, where they were bribed by the king, Psammetichus, to withdraw their forces from his country.

C Whilst the Scythians were thus dominant in Asia, that is to say, were driving their herds wherever they found pasture, and plundering the inhabitants, Cyaxāres was carrying on a war (which lasted six years) against Alyattes, king of Lydia. The pretence for this aggression was, that Alyattes had refused to deliver up some Scythians, who had set before Cyaxāres at a banquet the body of a murdered Median boy. The war, which was carried on for some time, with various success, was suddenly terminated by an eclipse of the sun, which had been foretold by Thales the Ionian (30th Sept., 610).

60 A number of the Scythians having been treacherously  
 D murdered at a banquet, where they had drunk to excess, the remainder returned to their own country, and finding a new generation, the offspring of their wives and slaves, attacked the intruders with whips instead of swords, and completely vanquished them. After the departure of the Scythians, Cyaxāres renewed the war against the Assyrians, destroyed Nineveh, and reduced Assyria itself to the condition of a Median province (604), the western districts of that empire being left to his ally Nabopolassar. His son and successor, ASTYĀGES (593—558), lost Persia,



which revolted under his grandson Cyrus; and taking the (60) field in person against the rebels, was defeated and made a prisoner at Pasargādæ.

VARIOUS ACCOUNTS OF THE RELATION WHICH CYRUS BORE TO 61 ASTYAGES.—According to Herodotus (who had heard four different accounts) the king, having had a strange dream respecting a flood, married his daughter Mandane to a Persian named Cambyses, by whom she had Agradatus, afterwards called Cyrus. Astyages has a second dream concerning a vine—Cyrus, being exposed by Harpagus, is rescued by a herdsman and brought up as his son—is chosen king by his playmates—recognized by Astyages—Harpagus made to feast on the limbs of his own son—the Magi declare that the dream of Astyages is already fulfilled—Cyrus sent back to Persia to his own parents—receives a letter from Harpagus, conveyed in the belly of a hare—and in consequence incites the Medes to revolt—the two unequal days [*the day of toil and the day of feasting*;—the latter as a *type* of what *every day* would be, if they conquered the Medes]—Cyrus and the Persians rise against Astyages—Harpagus, being sent to oppose him, goes over to the rebels—Astyages overthrown, and taken prisoner in an engagement at Pasargadæ.

ACCORDING TO CTESIAS, Cyrus was not related to Astyages, but B was urged to attack him simply by the lust of conquest. He stormed Ecbatana, took the king prisoner and then released him; but afterwards sent him into a desert to die of starvation.

XENOPHON'S story is, that Cyrus, so far from having obtained the crown by violence from Astyages, was not even his immediate successor, Astyages being succeeded by his son Cyaxæres II., at whose death the kingdom passed quietly into the hands of Cyrus I.

### § 19. Religion, Literature, &c. of the Medes.

The RELIGION of the Medes, even before the time of the 62 Median kings, whose names are given by Herodotus, was c that of the ancient Bactrians or *Zend*-people, as they were called, who quitted their Nomadic life at the instance of a leader named Dsjemschid, and established themselves in the vicinity of the Oxus. This doctrine, of which Zaratrustro or Zoroaster, who flourished long after Dsjemschid, was the author, was contained in the Zend-Avesta, in twenty-one parts, of which one (the Vendidad) has reached us entire, and the others only in fragments and tables of contents.

<sup>1</sup> As a confirmation of this account, it may be mentioned that Xenophon relates several acts of Cyaxæres II., which cannot all be the offspring of a poetical imagination; and that the prophet Daniel (vi. 1; ix. 1), who lived at the Medo-Persian court, speaks (after Astyages) of a Darius the Mede, who answers to the Cyaxæres II. of Xenophon.

- 63 *The principal doctrines taught in the Zend-Avesta are, that there exists a kingdom of light (i. e. a good principle) in which Ormuzd reigns, who is the origin and promoter of all good—and a kingdom of darkness (i. e. an evil principle), the ruler of which, Ahriman, is the author of all physical and moral evil. Both these kingdoms are engaged in a perpetual warfare, but Ahriman will one day be overcome, and the kingdom of light alone remain. All things in the world belong either to Ormuzd (pure men, beasts, and plants), or to Ahriman (unclean, i. e. sinful men, and impure, i. e. poisonous or hurtful, beasts, and plants). Moral precepts.—Every man should be pure and holy, and promote purity and holiness by every means in his power. On this principle are grounded his laws respecting the improvement of the land by agriculture and pasturage, and of the human race by marriage. His disciples are commanded to adore the sacred fire. The people are divided into four castes—priests, warriors, husbandmen, and mechanics; the king is absolute, and his ordinances irrevocable, but he is required to follow the precepts of Ormuzd, and command only that which is good and just.*

- 64 This code of laws was entrusted to the Magi, to whom alone belonged the right of offering up prayers and sacrifices, and of interpreting the will of Ormuzd. They possessed great influence also over all public and private undertakings, on account of the universal belief in divination, especially by means of the stars. There were no temples.

- c *Constitution.*—At first, the different clans lived apart, each under a chief chosen by itself; but from the time of Deïoces, the nation was governed by a king, to whom they paid divine honours, and whose will was law, but his ordinances, when once promulgated, could not be recalled.

*Manufactures.*—The Median stuffs (probably of silk), celebrated for the delicacy of their texture and the brightness of the colours, were the favorite dress of the Asiatic Greeks.

## VI. The Persians.

- 65 *SOURCES OF INFORMATION.*—1. *Native.* *The annals of the Persian empire* (ὑποθαί βασιλικαί) were compiled by the scribes, who always attended the king, and preserved in the royal residences at Susa, Babylon, and Ecbatana. From these annals the Greek historians have drawn their facts. The Persian poets (Ferdusi, in the seventh century), and annalists (Mirkhond, in the fourteenth), of the middle ages, contain notices of ancient Persian history, which are utterly at variance with the accounts of the Greek writers.

2. *Scriptural.*—The books of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther (the last for a knowledge of Persian court life), and the contemporary Prophets.

3. *Greek.*—HERODOTUS, who in addition to the oral information

obtained in his travels, seems to have drawn largely from the Persian archives (*e.g.* in his description of the nations who composed the army of Xerxes, his account of the speeches delivered by the Persian kings, &c.). *Thucydides* the Athenian, (born 371,) *Ἐγγράφη*, in eight books. *Ctenias*. *Xenophon's* *Ἀνάβασις*, *Κύρου παιδεία*, and *Ἑλληνικά*. *Diodorus*. *Arrian's* *Ἱστοριῶν ἀναβάσεως Ἀλεξάνδρου*, seven books, compiled from the journals of writers who accompanied Alexander. *Plutarch*, in the life of Artaxerxes I., and biographies of different Grecian generals. *Trogus Pompeius*. (65)  
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## § 20. *Geography of the Persian Empire.*

NAME.—The term 'Persia' signifies either the *pro-* 66  
*vince*, which was bounded by Media and the Persian gulf, <sup>B</sup>  
or the *Persian empire*, which extended from the Medi-  
terranean to the Indus, and from the Pontus Euxinus and  
the Caspian to the Indian sea, and at one time compre-  
hended Egypt, Thrace, and Macedonia.

*The Countries belonging to the Persian Empire were,*

- I. In Europe; Thrace and Macedonia.
- II. In Africa; Egypt and the neighbouring country of Libya.
- III. In Asia.

A. *On this side the Euphrates (or the western part of* 67  
*the highland country of Asia).* c

1. *Asia-Minor* (Anatolia), see 110, sqq. (p. 67.)
2. *Syria* (in the Bible *Aram*), in the more restricted sense of the term, the country between the Mediterranean and Euphrates (sometimes with, sometimes without Phœnicia and Palestine), in its wider sense, the whole region as far as the Tigris (Assyria often used for Syria and *vice versa*). FACE OF THE COUNTRY.—Partly mountainous and partly desert. CITIES.—1. *Thapsacus* on the Euphrates; 2. *Tadmor* or *Palmȳra* in the Syrian desert, built by Solomon, afterwards the capital of a kingdom (under Odenathus and Zenobia); 3. *Chalybon*, famous for its excellent wine. The term of *ἡ κοίλη Συρία*, *Cœlē-* <sup>D</sup>  
*Syria*, was first employed in the time of the Seleucidæ to designate the southern part of Syria, which lies between the chains of Libanon and Anti-Libanon [in Lat., *Libanus* and *Anti-Libanus*]; Damascus was the capital of this district, and at a later period Antiochia and Seleucia, both built by Seleucus Nicātor.

3. *Phœnicia*, see 97 (p. 62).

4. *Palestine*, see 10 (p. 9).

- 68 B. *Between the Euphrates and Tigris (or the Alpine country of Armenia and the lower terraces of the Euphrates and Tigris).*

1. *Armenia*, northward from Mesopotamia and Assyria, and westward from the Euphrates to the Caspian sea.

SOIL.—An elevated cold mountain soil, interspersed with warm fertile valleys, from which wine was conveyed by the Euphrates to Babylon, and horses and mules to Phœnicia. There were no cities here in the Persian times, but merely extensive open spots. At a later period we find Artaxata (ῥά 'A.) and Tigrano-certa.

- B 2. *Mesopotamia* (a name unknown in the Persian times, and subsequently reckoned sometimes as belonging to Syria, sometimes to Arabia) extended southwards from Armenia to the Euphrates and the Median wall, which form the boundaries on the side of Babylonia.

SOIL.—In the north, mountainous, well-watered, and fertile; in the interior, barren, and inhabited only by Nomadic hordes. Cities, Karkemish [or Carchemish] (Circesium), &c.

- c 3. *Babylonia*, always distinguished in the Persian times from the rest of Mesopotamia, the richest and most powerful of the satrapies. See 38, sqq. (p. 34.)

- 69 C. *Countries between the Tigris and the Indus, or the eastern part of the highland district of Asia—Plateau of Iran.*

a. On the western border of the highland country.

1. *Assyria*, see 51, sqq. (p. 39.)

2. *Media*, see 57, sqq. (p. 43).

3. *Susiana* (Louristan), between Babylonia and Persis on the Persian gulf; the entrance to the highlands; capital city, Susa (ῥά Σούσα).

b. On the southern border.

1. *Persis* (Fars or Farsistan), between Susiana and Carmania on the Persian gulf.

- D SOIL.—Various: in the north, lofty and rugged mountains; in the centre, fertile, undulating plains (especially on the rivers Cyrus and Araxes); in the south, the mountains end abruptly in a narrow, sandy, desert shore, of African character, rendered almost uninhabitable in summer by the simoom.

- 70 On these mountain ridges stood the CITIES of 1. Persepolis, not the residence<sup>1</sup>, but the burial-place of the Per-

<sup>1</sup> [The monuments show that the Persian monarchs must, even at the height of their power, have resided there from time to time.—Niebuhr.]

sian kings, and the national sanctuary. Since its destruction (70) by Alexander the Great, there remain considerable ruins <sup>A</sup> (with sculpture and inscriptions in arrow-headed characters), consisting partly of the fragments of a royal castle, partly of sepulchres hewn in the rock. 2. In the vicinity, Passargāda or Passargadæ [*Deh Minaur*. Arr.], founded by Cyrus in commemoration of his victory over Astyages at this place (on the river Cyrus), the capital of the whole kingdom, depository of the royal treasures, and burial place of the king <sup>1</sup>.

2. *Carmania* (Kerman), on the Persian gulf, between <sup>B</sup> Persis and Gedrosia.

3. *Gedrosia*, between Carmania and India, the most barren of all the Persian districts (with its capital, Pura); on the sea-coast, the *Icthyophāgi*.

C. EASTERN BORDER.

71

1. *Arachosia*, a district situated northwards of Gedrosia, on the confines of India (with the city *Arachōtus*), and making with Gedrosia only one satrapy.

2. *The country of the Paropamisādæ*, between Arachosia and Bactriana.

3. *Indoscythia*, the eastern slope of the highlands, to- <sup>C</sup> wards the valley of the Indus.

D. ON THE NORTHERN BORDER.

72

1. *Bactriana*, between the country of the Paropamisādæ and Sogdiana, from which it was separated by the Oxus (with its capital, Bactra, *τὰ Βάκτρα*, now Balk), the residence of the Zend-people, who obey the law of Zoroaster.

2. *Margiana* belonged in the Persian times to Hyrcania, <sup>D</sup> with Alexandria (built by Alexander, then destroyed, and rebuilt by Antiochus Soter, under the name of Antiochia).

3. *Hyrcania*, on the Caspian sea (capital, Zeudrakarta [*Zadracarta* : *Goorgaun*]).

E. IN THE INTERIOR.

73

1. *Aria* (*Ἀρία* and *Ἀρεία*), an extensive steppe with some fertile spots, a lake named Aria, and two rivers (*Arius*, and a city (*Aria*).

<sup>1</sup> Heeren (*Ideen*, i. 1. 269) and Tychsen (in his supplement to Heeren's *Ideen*, i. 2, S. 401) suppose Persepolis to be the translation of the name Pasargada.

(73) 2. *Parthia* under the Persian and Macedonian rule belonged to Hyrcania. The capital of the Parthian kingdom, founded by Arsāces, was Hecatompylos.

3. *Drangiana*, between Aria, Gedrosia, and Arachosia.

74 D. *The Alpine country between Oxus [Jihon or Amoo] and Iaxartes [Sir or Sihon], or Sogdiana*, the northernmost Persian province, which forms the boundary between the arable district and the pasture land of the Nomadic tribes, and consequently was inhabited partly by Sogdianian settlers, partly by Scythian Nomades. In the southern district, which was rendered fertile by numerous canals, was Maracanda (now Samarcand?), the royal city of the Sogdianians. On the Iaxartes, as a defence against the frequent inroads of the Scythian Nomades, Cyrus built the fortress of Cyreschata (garrisoned with 18,000 men), and Alexander the Great, Alexandria ultima.

### § 21. HISTORY OF THE PERSIANS.

75 A. HISTORY OF THE PERSIANS BEFORE CYRUS.

c The Persians, on account of the variety of their soil, were partly Nomades, partly agriculturists. Herodotus enumerates four Nomadic herdsmen castes, three agricultural, and three warrior castes, who governed the inferior and supplied the higher officers of state. The most distinguished of these was the tribe of the Pasargadæ, its most illustrious family being that of the Achæmenidæ, from which alone the kings were chosen. The Persians had been subdued by the Median king Phraortes (about 640), but retained their own kings, the first of whom was named Achæmènes. His descendant, Cambyses, was the father of Cyrus, by Mandane, daughter of the Median king, Astyages (see 77, sqq: p. 51.)

76 B. HISTORY OF THE PERSIANS FROM CYRUS TO THE DISSOLUTION OF THE EMPIRE. 558—331.

1. Cyrus (originally Agradatus), 558—529, became by a stratagem leader of all the Persian tribes, and in consequence of his victory over Astyages, at Pasargadæ (see 60, A.), lord of the whole Persian empire, extending westwards as far as the river Halys, which divided it from the kingdom of Lydia. The *Lydian king*, Cræsus, hoping to avenge himself on Cyrus for the expulsion of his brother-in-law, Astyages, and interpreting in his own

favour the ambiguous response of an oracle, crossed the Halys, ravaged Cappadocia, and after an indecisive engagement (at Pteria, not far from Sinōpe?) retreated to his capital, which, after a second battle was invested, stormed, and sacked by Cyrus. After the destruction of the Lydian empire, Cyrus sent Harpagus to subdue the *Greek cities on the coast of Asia Minor*, which were ready to pay tribute, provided their constitution were respected. Most of them received tyrants under the protection of the Persians, but the inhabitants of Phocæa emigrated to Corsica (where they had a short time before founded Alalia), and being expelled thence by the Tyrrhenians and Carthaginians, retired to Lower Italy<sup>1</sup>. At the same time, the Teians colonized Abdēra, in Thrace. The Carians<sup>B</sup> and Lycians were also subjugated by Harpagus; so that the whole of *Asia Minor* or lower Asia belonged to the Persian empire.

Meanwhile Cyrus himself had subdued *Upper Asia*, 77 taken Babylon after a two years' siege (because that city had formed an alliance with Cræsus), and put an end, in the year 538 B.C. to the Babylonian empire, which comprised also Syria, Palestine, and Phœnicia. The Jews were permitted by the conqueror to return to their own land (compare 20, p. 24). For an account of the form of government established in the conquered countries see 94, B. (p. 61.)

There are three different accounts of the death of Cyrus, as well as of his origin. 1. *According to Herodotus*, he fell in battle with the Massagætæ (northwards of the Iaxartes?), and their queen, Tomyris, plunged his head into a vessel filled with human blood. 2. *Ctesias* says that he was slain in a war with the Sacæ; 3. and *Xenophon* that he died a natural death.

Before his death he nominated his eldest son Cambyzes to be his successor; the younger, Smerdis, being appointed viceroy (under his brother) of the eastern portion of the empire, which now extended from the Hellespont to the borders of India. He was buried at Pasargadæ [or, Passagardæ].

<sup>1</sup> That Massilia (Marseilles) was not originally founded by the Phocæans, who emigrated at that period, but had been already in existence since the year B.C. 600, is clearly shown by Dederich, in the Rhenish Museum.

- 78 2. Cambyses, 529—522, added *Egypt* and *Libya* to  
 A the countries already subdued by his father.

According to the narrative of Herodotus, the cause of his undertaking this expedition was a personal affront received from Amasis, king of Egypt, whose daughter he had sought in marriage, but who had sent him in her stead the daughter of the former king. Full of indignation at this insult, Cambyses crossed the Arabian desert, under the guidance of a Greek mercenary named Phanes, and entering Egypt, overthrew Psammenitus, the successor of Amasis, at Pelusium, took Memphis, and made prisoners of the king and his family. The captive monarch was treated kindly for a time, but, in consequence of an attempted insurrection, was afterwards put to death by being compelled to drink ox's blood (!). The Libyans and Cyrenians bordering on Egypt, surrendered themselves voluntarily to the conqueror.

- 79 *Expedition against Ethiopia and Ammonium.*—The plan  
 B of Cambyses, for extending his conquests in Africa by the subjugation of the Carthaginians, Ammonians, and Ethiopians, was rendered abortive by the refusal of the Phœnicians to lend him a fleet for the attack on Carthage, and by the destruction of an army which he had sent against the Ammonians. This force was overwhelmed by the shifting sands of the desert; whilst another division, which he was leading in person against the Ethiopians, was compelled to return for want of provisions.

- C After his return to Memphis, Cambyses, meeting a solemn procession of the worshippers of Apis, caused the priests to be scourged, wounded and overthrew the god, insulted his temples and sacred rites, and committed various other extravagant acts. Having dreamt that his brother Smerdis had usurped his throne, he caused him to be assassinated by Prexaspes, married two of his own sisters, and killed one of them with a kick; slew the son of Prexaspes with an arrow, ordered twelve of the principal Persians to be buried alive, commanded Croesus, who had ventured to remonstrate with him, to be put to death, and slew his servants for neglecting to execute the sentence.

- D *Return to Persis and death.*—The death of Smerdis having been kept a profound secret in Persis, a Magian, of the same name, who also closely resembled him in person, had ascended the throne. On receiving intelligence of this treason, Cambyses hastened his return to Persis, and died at Agbatana, in Syria, in consequence of a wound in the thigh. He left no children.

- 80 3. Pseudo-Smerdis, 522, who endeavoured to render his usurpation popular by dispensing with military service and

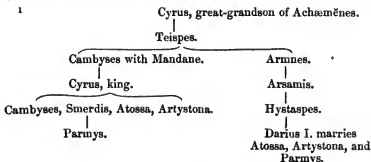


remitting the taxes for three years, was discovered in the (80) seventh month of his reign, (in consequence of having lost <sup>A</sup> his ears?) and, with many other Magi, put to death by a conspiracy of seven of the chief Persians. A festival, termed *τὸ μαγοφόνια*, was instituted in commemoration of this event. After a discussion among the conspirators respecting the best form of constitution, it was resolved to retain the monarchy, and

4. Darius I. ascended the throne, by the contrivance, <sup>81</sup> says the legend, of his master of the horse. This king, who was the son of Hystaspes, of the race of Achæmènes<sup>1</sup>, married two of the daughters of Cyrus and one of the real Smerdis (521—485). To him the king- <sup>B</sup> dom was indebted for a better organisation, the whole country being divided into twenty satrapies, each of which had a civil governor termed a *satrap*, and a *commander-in-chief* for military affairs.

These satraps, who were generally relations of the king, were <sup>82</sup> charged with the collection of the revenue, and the promotion of agriculture. They were assisted by royal secretaries (*γραμματισται*), who received the commands of the king through messengers, and communicated them to the satraps. These messengers performed the journey very rapidly by means of *stations*, placed at the distance of a day's journey from each other. The civil and military administration of each province, as well as the cultivation of the land, were inspected every year either by the king in person, or by royal commissioners, and always at the head of an army.

*Financial administration.*—From each of the provinces, except <sup>C</sup> Persis, a tribute was raised, which was paid in the precious metals, generally in an uncoined state. After providing for the expenditure of their own establishments (which were modelled on that of the king), the support of the standing army, and the maintenance of the various provincial officers, the balance was forwarded by the satraps to the royal exchequer. Another source of revenue were the pre-



- (82) sents made by the courtiers and satraps, consisting of costly objects of various descriptions. The inferior officials received their remuneration in kind, and those of a higher rank were rewarded with estates. Personages of the most exalted station, such as the wives and mothers of the kings, had a separate district assigned to them for the supply of each of their wants.

The conquests of the Persians having reached the ocean southwards, and been arrested in the north by the resistance of the inhabitants of the Steppes, Darius undertook the extension of his empire in a westerly and easterly direction.

*Liberation of Samos.*—Sylōsōn of Samos, who had presented a purple mantle to Darius when he was at Memphis, obtained from him in return the power of delivering his native city from a tyrant (the secretary of the murdered Polycrātes, the brother of Sylōson).

- 83 *Reduction of the revolted province of Babylon.*—After a siege of twenty months, Babylon was taken (through the cunning, it is said, of Zopyrus); 3000 of the principal Babylonians were crucified; and Zopyrus, as a reward, was invested with the satrapy of Babylon, of which he received the whole revenue for the term of his life.

*Expedition against the Scythians*, on account of their former invasion of Media. Darius, at the head of 700,000 men, crossed the Thracian Bosphorus into Europe, subdued the Getæ and Thracians, and passed the Ister, leaving behind him the Ionians to guard the bridge which he had built over that river. The Scythians retreated before him, laying waste the land as they went, so that Darius was compelled by want of provisions to return without accomplishing his purpose. Meanwhile the Scythians, supported by Miltiades (the Athenian), had been tampering with the Ionians who were left in charge of the bridge, which was only saved from destruction by the strenuous remonstrances of Histæus of Milētus. On the march back, Megabazus, the Persian general, subdued the Thracian sea-coast, and received from Amyntas, king of Macedonia, earth and water in token of submission. (The Pæonians were transplanted from Thrace into Phrygia.)

- D *Expedition to India.*—Darius, having previously dispatched Scylax (of Caryandes) on a voyage of discovery down the Indus, entered that country in person and subdued a part of it.

An expedition into Libya, undertaken by the Persian viceroy of

Egypt, ended in the capture of the city of Barca and the removal of A its inhabitants to Bactria.

THE WARS WITH GREECE, 500—449.

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*Insurrection of the Ionians, 500—494.*—Histiaëus, tyrant of Miletus, who had been rewarded with a grant of land in Thrace for his good service in preserving the bridge, had no sooner laid the foundations of a city in that quarter, than he became an object of suspicion to the king, and was recalled to Susa, his son-in-law Aristagōras being nominated tyrant of Miletus in his room. The failure of an attempt on Naxos having rendered the security of this appointment precarious, Aristagoras, in conjunction with Histiaëus, persuaded the Ionians to rise against the Persian government, and visited Greece in person, for the purpose of soliciting co-operation, but could only obtain a small subsidy of ships from Athens and Eretria. Sardes, it is true, fell without B striking a blow, and was utterly destroyed by fire; but the Ionians were overthrown by a Persian land force, and being abandoned by the Greeks, were gradually reduced (after the conquest of their fleet off the island of Lade, opposite Miletus), and the inhabitants of Miletus transplanted to the interior of Asia. Aristagoras was slain in Thrace. The participation of the European Greeks in this insurrection of the Ionians, hastened the commencement of the Persian wars, which were soon afterwards undertaken for the conquest of Greece.

*The first expedition against Greece* (in 492) was con- 85 ducted by Mardonius, satrap of Asia Minor, who subdued C the Macedonians; but his fleet, after taking Thasos, having been wrecked off Mount Athos, and his land forces cut to pieces in Thrace, he was compelled to return. Darius, acting under the influence of the exiled Athenian Hippias, and the Spartan king Demarātus, having ineffectually called on the Grecian cities to acknowledge his authority, *a second expedition was undertaken* in 490, under the command of Datis and Artaphernes. The generals sailed to Eubœa with an enormous fleet, took Eretria by treachery, and having crossed the channel into Attica by the advice of Hippias, drew up their forces, which amounted to 100,000 men, on the plain of Marāthon, where they were completely defeated by a little army of 9000 Athenians and 1000 Platæans (29th of September), under the

(85) command of Miltiades, and after an unsuccessful attempt  
 A on Athens returned to Asia. Darius died in the midst of preparations for a fresh expedition, which had been interrupted by an insurrection of the Egyptians.

5. He was succeeded by XERXES I. (485—465), his son by his second wife, Atossa, one of the daughters of Cyrus. Having reduced Egypt to submision, the new king collected the forces of his immense empire for a *third expedition against Greece*. A land army of 1,700,000 men was assembled at Critala, in Cappadocia, and a fleet of 1207 ships of Phœnicia and Asia Minor, collected in the Ionian harbours of Cyme and Phocæa.

B A canal dug through the isthmus of Mount Athos (1)—the bridges over the Hellespont destroyed by a storm—the sea scourged—two new bridges constructed—Sardes revolts—first review of the troops at Abÿdos on the Hellespont—the bridges crossed by the army in seven days and seven nights—second review, and numbering of the army at Doriscus in Thrace.

86 The land army continued its march through Thrace, Macedonia, and Thessaly, until it reached the pass of Thermopylæ, where Leonidas, king of Sparta, with 300 Spartans and 4900 other Greeks, courageously withstood the millions of Xerxes, but, being betrayed by Ephialtes, was slain, with all his Spartans and 700 Thespians, who had  
 c voluntarily remained with him. The Persian army then advanced without opposition into Attica, and burnt Athens. Meanwhile, their naval commanders, after an indecisive engagement off the promontory of Artemisium with the Greek fleet, under the command of Eurybiades, had dispatched a fleet of 200 sail round Eubœa into the Eurÿpus, for the purpose of inclosing the Greeks; but the ships of  
 D this detachment were scattered by a storm. A second indecisive engagement then took place off Artemisium on the same day as the battle of Thermopylæ; after which the Greek fleet retired to Salamis. Here, by a stratagem of Themistocles, the Greeks were forced into an engagement, which ended in the total defeat of the Persians (23rd of September, 480) and their return to Persia. Xerxes hastily recrossed the Hellespont (induced by a fresh stratagem of Themistocles), leaving Mardonius in Thessaly with an army of 300,000 men.

87 *Campaign of Mardonius in 479.*—After fruitless nego-

tiations with the Athenians (through Alexander of Macedonia), Mardonius advanced into Attica and took Athens, <sup>A</sup> which had been abandoned by the inhabitants; but, on the approach of the Lacedæmonians, he retreated into Bœotia, where he was slain in an engagement at Platææ (25th of September, 479), in which the army of the Persians was utterly routed by the Athenians under Aristides, and the Lacedæmonians under Pausanias. The Persian camp fell into the hands of the allies.

On the same day the Persians were defeated at Mycæle, <sup>B</sup> in Asia Minor (where they had formed a bulwark of their ships hauled up on the land), by the Spartan king, Leotychides, and the Athenian, Xanthippus. Their camp and fleet were utterly destroyed, and thus Ionia was delivered from her oppressors. After this victory the Greeks commenced a war of aggression against the Persians. Pausanias and Aristides subdued the greater part of the island of Cyprus and Byzantium; Cimon expelled the Persians from Thrace, Caria, and Lycia, and defeated both their fleet and army on the river Eurymædon, in Pamphylia<sup>1</sup> (469).

Xerxes was murdered by Artabanus, the captain of his <sup>C</sup> body-guard, together with his eldest son, Darius. The crown, in consequence, descended to his second son.

6. ARTAXERXES I. (μακρόχειρ [Longimānus]—also Artaxerxes), 465—424.

*War with the Egyptians and Greeks.*—Second revolt of <sup>88</sup> the Egyptians under the Libyan prince Inārus, who beat the Persian army with the aid of the Athenians, but, being soon afterwards conquered by Megabýzus (son of Zopýrus), Inārus capitulated, together with the Greeks, who were blockaded by the enemy in Prosopitis, an island of the Nile. One prince alone, Amyrtæus, still maintained his position in the marshes at the mouth of the Nile. The <sup>D</sup> war was prosecuted by the Greeks under the command of Cimon, whose fleet and army were victorious (after his death) at *Salamis in Cyprus* (B.C. 449).

*First revolt of the satraps.*—Artaxerxes having put to <sup>89</sup> death Inārus and the Greek prisoners, for whose safety Megabyzus had pledged his word, the satrap threw off his

<sup>1</sup> The pretended *peace of Cimon* (placed by some in 469, by others 449), but which, if real, Thuc. i. 112, *must* have mentioned, has been fully discussed by *Dahlmann*, *Krüger* [and *Thirlwall*, iii. p. 37].

- (89) allegiance, conquered the royal forces, and prescribed his  
 A own terms to the king. From this period there were frequent revolts of the satraps, occasioned by the overweening power of the governors of provinces, who not only united in their own persons the civil and military authority, but were sometimes lords of several satrapies. Their rebellious projects were also favoured by the foreign wars. Hence arose new independent kingdoms (Cappadocia, Pontus). The employment at the same time of mercenary troops, chiefly Greeks, hastened the degeneration of the once-warlike Persians into luxurious and  
 B effeminate cowards. Artaxerxes, who during the whole of his life had been the slave of his mistresses, was succeeded by his only legitimate son,

7. XERXES II., who was murdered, after a reign of forty-five days, by his illegitimate brother,

8. SOGDIANUS. This king, after reigning six months, was also assassinated by another illegitimate brother, who ascended the throne under the name of

- C 9. DARIUS II.—NOTHUS (424—405<sup>1</sup>). During his reign there were repeated revolts of the satraps, in consequence of the king's subserviency to his wife Parysatis. The Egyptians, also, under Amyrtæus, for the third time renounced their allegiance, and retained their independence under kings of their own for a period of sixty-four years.

10. ARTAXERXES II. MNEMON (405—362).

- 90 War with his brother Cyrus.—His younger brother, Cyrus, the favorite of his mother, and satrap of the whole of Asia, endeavoured to establish his right to the succession, as being the first-born son of his father after he had ascended the throne; and for this purpose assembled in Asia a large body of mercenary troops, under pretence of leading them against the Pisidians, who were still unsubdued. Being supported by the Spartans, to whom he had  
 D furnished subsidies of money during the Peloponnesian war, Cyrus advanced without opposition as far as the Euphrates, where Artaxerxes, who had received seasonable information from Tissaphernes, the deputy-governor of Ionia, met his brother with an army of nearly a million soldiers(?). Cyrus fell in the battle of *Cunaxa* in 401;

<sup>1</sup> According to Clinton (*Fast. Hell.*), Artaxerxes II. probably ascended the throne in Dec. 405.

and the Greek auxiliaries, who had successfully resisted (90) the enemy, and still numbered 10,000 men, retreated in a good order under the command of Xenophon, and, after encountering indescribable hardships, at last reached Asia Minor in safety.

*War with Sparta.*—Tissaphernes, who had been re- 91  
warded for his fidelity with the province formerly governed by Cyrus, having punished the Ionians for their share in the rebellion, the Spartans prepared to support them. Considerable progress was made in the liberation of the Asiatic Greeks by the Spartan general, Dercyllidas, and particularly by their king, Agesilāus; but their plans were frustrated by the satrap Tithraustes (successor of Tissaphernes, who had been murdered at the instigation of Parysatis). This crafty politician contrived, by bribing a the democratical party in Thebes, Corinth, and Argos, to establish in those cities a league (which was afterwards joined by Athens), for the express purpose of resisting the Spartan *Hegemony*, and thus to transfer the war from Asia to Greece (see § 67—3). The Spartan general, Lysander, having fallen in an engagement with the allies at Haliartus, Agesilaus was recalled from Asia to take the command in this *Corinthian war*. In the year 394, the Persians, under the command of Conon, an Athenian refugee, having annihilated the Spartan fleet off Cnidus, in Caria, the Greeks of Asia Minor again gradually lost their independence, and in the *peace of Antalcidas* (387), were abandoned, with Cyprus, to the dominion of the Persians.

An attempt to reconquer Egypt miscarried through the disunion C of the commanders, Iphicrātes and Pharnabazus. A general rebellion of the satraps of Asia was betrayed by one of their body, and crushed. Artaxerxes had nominated as his successor his eldest son, Darius; but this prince having been put to death for conspiring against his father, the king appointed Ochus, who soon poisoned his benefactor, and ascended the Persian throne, under the name of

### 11. ARTAXERXES III. (362—338).

*War with the Phœnicians and Egyptians.*—The Phœ- 92  
nicians having expelled the Persians from their cities and formed an alliance with the Egyptians, Artaxerxes took Sidon (through the treachery of their own king, Tennes), the inhabitants having previously set fire to the city. The rest of Phœnicia submitted voluntarily to his authority. Artaxerxes, then, with the assistance of his Greek auxi-

- (92) liaries, overthrew the Egyptians at Pelusium, and compelled the country, after sixty-four years of independence, again to submit to the authority of Persia. Their king, Nectanebus, fled to Ethiopia.

Artaxerxes, whose cruelty had rendered him universally odious, was poisoned by the Egyptian Bagōas (by whom he was entirely governed), together with all his sons, except the youngest,

12. ARSES (338—336), who was placed on the throne by Bagōas, and murdered by him at the end of two years. A great grandson of Darius Nothus,

- B 13. DARIUS III. CODOMANNUS (336—330), was then made king, and Bagōas, who had intended to put him to death, was compelled himself to drink the poison which he had prepared for his master. The new monarch was unable to avert the ruin of the Persian empire, which, since the Greek wars, had been gradually falling into decay. He was vanquished by Alexander the Great in three battles—on the *Granicus*, 334; at *Issus*, 333; and at *Gaugamēla* in 331; and at last taken prisoner by his own satraps, and murdered by Bessus in 330 (see § 76).

CAUSES OF THE DECLINE OF THE PERSIAN EMPIRE.—1. The exhaustion occasioned by the expenditure of men and money in the expeditions against Europe. 2. The introduction of mercenary troops, and the consequent frequency of wars and degeneracy of the Persians. 3. The insurrections of the satraps, whose power had become enormous since the reign of Artaxerxes I. 4. The corruption of court morals, produced by the influence of women and eunuchs.

### § 22. Religion, &c. of the Persians.

- 93 1. The RELIGION of the Persians was a worship of nature,  
C according in all essential particulars with the doctrine of Zoroaster. They adored the sky as the supreme god-head; together with the sun and moon, some of the planets (particularly Venus, under the name of Mitra), the earth, fire, water, the winds, &c. Like the Medes, they offered up their prayers, not in temples, but in the open air. The priestly caste of the Magi, after the conquest of Media, transferred itself, with all its influence, to the Persian court.
- 94 2. The CONSTITUTION was also borrowed from the Medes, and, like all other eastern governments, was despotic. The "Great King," whose power was circumscribed only by the laws of Zoroaster and a court ceremonial invented by



the Magi, was considered sole proprietor both of the land (94) and people, and was entitled to receive tribute (called <sup>A</sup> “a present” until the reign of Darius Hystaspes) from the conquered provinces. In his palaces (πύλαι) at Susa, Babylon, and Ecbatana, which were occupied alternately according to the season of the year, the king was surrounded not only by officers of the court (the king’s ‘eyes’ and ‘ears’), through whom all communications were conveyed to him, but also by a numerous army, consisting chiefly of cavalry. In addition to the power of the Magi, the ladies of the seraglio, and the eunuchs by whom it was guarded, exercised an influence not only over the administration of public affairs, but even over the succession to the throne.

To secure the possession of conquered countries—1. standing <sup>B</sup> armies were left, which were entirely supported by the inhabitants; 2. the people were transplanted into other countries; 3. warlike nations were compelled to become luxurious and effeminate, as in the case of the Lydians, who were thus treated by Cyrus at the instigation of Croesus. The constitution in the conquered cities was suffered to remain unchanged; their dependence on Persia being recognized in the performance of particular services as vassals—viz., the payment of tributes in gold and silver for the use of the court and the satraps, the support of the standing army, contingents in time of war, and certain presents.

For the division and organization of the empire by <sup>C</sup> Darius I., see § 21.

3. Of SCIENCE we find scarcely any trace among the <sup>95</sup> Persians, their whole literature being confined to the writings of Zoroaster, in the Zend language—borrowed from the Medes—and a few works, on the subject of his religion, in the Pehlevi language. On the other hand, the ruins of the royal palace at Persepolis display considerable remains of architecture, exceedingly perfect, as regards the mechanical part, and of sculpture, which seems, however, to have confined itself to works in relievo. Both are distinguished by great simplicity.

## VII. THE PHŒNICIANS.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION.—*Native*.—In the larger cities were <sup>96</sup> archives, containing annals and notices respecting the most important events, from which *Sanchuniathon*, about the year 1250 (<sup>1</sup>), <sup>D</sup> compiled a Phœnician and Egyptian history in nine books, written in the Phœnician language, which was afterwards translated into Greek by Philo of Byblus. (Of this work only a fragment has been preserved by Eusebius.) *Hebrew*—the Bible, especially the prophet

- <sup>A</sup> EZEKIEL. *Greek*—Menander of Ephesus, and Dios, a Phœnician, compiled a history of Tyre from Tyrian annals (of which fragments are found in Josephus and Syncellus), Herodotus, and Diodorus.

### § 23. *Geography of Phœnicia.*

- 97 Phœnicia (so named from the number of palm-trees, *φοίνικες*, on its coast) consisted of a narrow strip of land on the Syrian coast, between Arădus and Tyre (twenty-five miles in length and four to five in breadth), abounding in harbours and full of lofty mountains; most of which are comprehended under the name of Libanon, and produced timber for ship-building and the construction of houses. A cluster of islands, lying close to the coast, were studded with towns as thickly as the continent itself.
- <sup>B</sup> TOWNS from the north to the south.—1. Arădus, on an island, and opposite to it on the continent. 2. Antaradus. 3. Tripôlis, consisting of three towns founded by Aradus, Tyre, and Sidon. 4. Sidon, the most ancient of the Phœnician cities, and the mother country of several foreign colonies. 5. Tyre (in the Bible Zor [*Tsôr* or *Tsur*], called by Virgil also Sarra), consisting of the old town built by the Sidonians on the continent, and the new city founded by the inhabitants of the old, with a double port. During the siege of the old town by Nebuchadnezzar, many of the inhabitants took refuge here; in consequence of which new Tyre increased in importance, whilst the old town gradually declined. After its conquest by Alexander, the new town also fell into decay. 6. Ptolemais, or Accon (now S. Jean d'Acre).

### § 24. *Foreign Settlements of the Phœnicians.*

- 98 The usual motives for founding colonies are—1. To establish a secure intercourse with distant and particularly with uncultivated countries. 2. To prevent too rapid an increase of the poor, and thus to anticipate violent revolutions. 3. When, during intestine disturbances, the weaker party emigrates, either voluntarily or by compulsion, and settles itself elsewhere.

### GENERAL VIEW OF THE PHŒNICIAN COLONIES.

- 99 1. *On the Islands of the Mediterranean*, as well on the larger—viz., Cyprus and Crete—as the smaller—viz., the

Sporades and Cyclades—and northwards as far as the Hellespont, especially on Thasus, for the sake of its rich gold-mines. There were also still more distant settlements on the coast of Sicily, especially Panormus and Motye, and afterwards Lilybæum (at a later period Greek settlements were formed in these islands); and on Sardinia and the Balearic islands, which served for a harbour of refuge on the voyage from Phœnicia to Spain. 2. *On the northern coast of Africa*—Utica, Carthage (Καρχηδών), Adrumētum, the Greater and Lesser Leptis, &c. 3. *Spain*, especially its southern coast, was a favorite locality for the establishment of Phœnician colonies; of which the most remarkable were Tarsis, or Tartessus, Carteia, Gadia, or Gades, the pillars of Hercules (two rocks now occupied by Gibraltar and Ceuta), Malāca, and Hispālis. There were, however, more than 200 places in Spain which claimed a Phœnician origin. 4. *On the western coast of Africa*, 300 cities, as it is pretended (?), all founded by Tyre; on the Fortunate (*i. e.* Canary) islands, and Madeira. 5. *In the Persian gulf*, on the islands Tyrus, or Tylus, and Aradus (the Bahrein islands).

In Egypt an entire quarter of Memphis was inhabited by Phœnician merchants. Whether the colony of Cadmus came to Thebes from Phœnicia is still doubtful (compare 231, b. p. 117.)

*The date of these settlements* can only be fixed generally. Most of them were probably founded in the palmy days of the mother city, Tyre; that is to say, during the period from Hiram to Cyrus (1000—550).

*Their relation to the mother country.*—The Phœnicians, unlike their descendants the Carthaginians, do not seem to have possessed the art of retaining their colonies in a state of dependence. In consequence of this defect, which was the result of their extended colonial system, and the great distance of the colonies from the mother country, their mutual relation was limited to commercial intercourse, the celebration of feasts in honour of their common gods, and the offering of sacrifices by ambassadors sent for that purpose from the colonies to the mother city.

### § 25. *Fragments of Phœnician History.*

The Phœnicians belonged to that race of Shem which spread itself over the whole of western Asia, and of which long before the existence of historical records, individual hordes had overrun Syria from the north, or Arabia from

(101) the south, straggling by degrees into Canaan, (*i. e. the low country* in contradistinction to Aram, *the highlands*,) where they established themselves in settled habitations. From these they were expelled by the invasions of Nomadic tribes, and especially by the immigration of the Israelites, and obliged to take refuge in the neighbouring countries and islands, the inhabitants of the sea-shore alone being able to maintain themselves in their fortified cities and the little islands immediately adjoining their line of coast. In very ancient times, this little territory was governed by one king, who resided first at Tyre, and subsequently (after Hiram?) at Sidon, but after the separation of Sidon from Tyre in the time of Salmanassar each city had its own king. The history of the two more powerful states or cities is very imperfect. Of the others we know nothing.

102 FROM THE HISTORY OF SIDON.—Sidon (named after the first born son of Canaan) is mentioned as a great city in the days of Joshua, and is celebrated by Homer as the most renowned of all the cities of the earth for its works of art. It was already famous for its navigation and trade in amber, but notorious also for the piracy practised by its inhabitants. Among its earliest foreign settlements were Thebes (founded by Cadmus in 1500), and Utica (about 1100). About the year B.C. 700, Sidon surrendered to the Assyrian king, Salmanassar, (see § 15,) and after the dissolution of the Assyrian empire, became subject to Babylon, and was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar as a punishment for having formed an alliance with Judah. Under the dominion of Persia it seems to have become again prosperous, and took the lead in an insurrection against Artaxerxes III., which ended in its ruin a second time: the city, which had been surrendered to the Persians through the treachery of its own king, Tennes, having been set on fire by the inhabitants themselves. After its restoration, it became subject to Alexander the Great, and received a new king at his hands.

103 FROM THE HISTORY OF TYRE.—Tyre was founded at an early period by Sidon, which it soon surpassed in wealth and power. Even in David's time it seems to have been the chief of the Phœnician cities. Its king Hiram sent workmen and timber to Solomon for the building of the Temple, and entered into a commercial treaty with him for the purpose of sending ships to Ophir (see 17, B. p. 22). King Pygmalion having murdered the husband of his sister Dido, the widow fled to Africa, where she founded the city of Carthage (830 !). About the year 720, Sidon, old Tyre, and other cities, threw off their allegiance to Tyre, and were supported by Salmanassar, who invested the city, but was compelled to raise the siege at the end of five years. With equal success Tyre maintained its independence against Nebuchadnezzar, who besieged the old town thirteen years without effect.

Under the Persian dominion the Phœnician cities retained their own kings, and were merely required to pay a tribute and furnish contingents of shipping. The kings of Tyre and Sidon are mentioned as commanders-in-chief of the Persian fleet at Salamis. The Phœnician cities submitted without resistance to Alexander the Great, with the exception of Tyre, which refused to receive a Macedonian garrison, and after a siege of seven months was taken and almost entirely demolished. Although it was afterwards rebuilt, the establishment of Alexandria prevented its ever attaining its former prosperity.

### § 26. *Religion, &c. of the Phœnicians*<sup>1</sup>.

The RELIGION of the Phœnicians is a subject of unusual importance, as relating to a people who were the most polished of all the Semitic tribes, and exercised the greatest and most lasting influence on the civilization of the ancient world, partly by means of their commercial relations, and partly through the extensive migrations of Phœnician tribes. Their religion, like that of the Shemites in general (comp. 45, p. 37), was that of nature, expressed in the worship of the heavenly bodies, their gods being mythical personifications of her powers visibly represented by the planets. The Sun (Baal), as the stronger and more vigorous light, was worshipped as the symbol of the male power of nature, whilst the Moon (Astarte), as the milder and feebler luminary, represented the female. The various effects of the sun's rays were also worshipped as divine beings, both the beneficial (as Jao, the vivifying power of nature), and the injurious, (personified in Typhon), and his different phases at the various seasons of the year, and different parts of the day, suggested the idea of separate deities (*e. g.* the sun in spring was worshipped as Adonis), and, lastly, the planets (Venus, Mars, and Mercury), as deriving light and power from the sun, were considered emanations of his godhead. They believed, moreover, that the Supreme Being acts in the world, not immediately, but by the intervention of a Mediator, who is like himself, and regarded as his son, because he is the visible manifestation of his essence.

<sup>1</sup> 'The Phœnicians' (die Phönizier), by F. C. Movers, 1841, vol. i.

- A This manifestation of Baal was the Tyrian Hercules, who in this character is partly a conservative principle (Chon or Saturn), partly a destructive one (Moloch).
- 106 2. INVENTIONS.—Necessity led the Phœnicians to invent ship-building, the alphabet, arithmetic, and, perhaps, also the coinage of money; but the discovery of their purple dye and the manufacture of glass seem to have been the result of accident.

107 3. COMMERCE.

- B *Maritime trade.* To this they were driven by the position of their country, and the barrenness of its soil, as well as by the accumulation of articles of merchandise brought by caravans from the interior of Asia. The chief goals of their maritime enterprise were their own colonies, especially the south of Spain, from which they imported gold, silver, lead, and iron, wine, oil, wax, wool, fruits, and salt fish. From Spain they visited the "tin islands," (Cassiterides,) the amber coast (?)<sup>1</sup>, and the western coast of
- C Africa; but these voyages were kept secret. From the Persian gulf they sailed to India, and from the Arabian, in company with the Israelites, to Ophir. Necho, king of Egypt, is said to have prevailed on them to circumnavigate Africa.

There was never any very considerable commercial intercourse between the Greeks and Phœnicians, partly on account of their mutual jealousy, and partly because the Greeks could obtain most articles of Phœnician produce in their own colonies in Asia Minor; partly also on account of the political relations of the Greeks to the Phœnicians, as subjects of the king of Persia. Frankincense, spices, and Tyrian cloths, seem to have been the only articles imported from Phœnicia by the Greeks.

- D LAND-TRAFFIC. — aa. *Southward to Arabia*, from which the Nomadic people of that country, the Edomites and Moabites, brought to Phœnicia the productions of their own land (frankincense, which was obtained, not in Arabia, but from the opposite peninsula of Zula, gold, and precious stones), as well as those of India and Ethiopia (cinnamon, ivory, and ebony), and *to Egypt*, whence they themselves imported cotton and embroidered stuffs in exchange for wine.

bb. *Eastward to Palestine*, whence they imported corn, wine, oil, and balsam; *to Syria* (wine from Chalybon, and wool), and *to Baby-*

<sup>1</sup> C. O. Müller (die Etrusker, 287) proves that it does not follow from the early acquaintance of the Phœnicians with *amber*, that they visited the coasts of Prussia, by establishing the fact, that this production was conveyed through Germany, and thence to Greece, by means of the Etruscans in Upper Italy.

lon, on the great commercial road across the Syrian desert by A Palmyra.

cc. *Northward to Armenia* (importations, horses and mules), and *to the Caucasian countries* (importations, slaves and copper). The trade of Phœnicia was carried on principally by means of barter.

4. **ARTS AND MANUFACTURES.** The most celebrated were 108 their dyes. The Tyrian purple (a term used to express not a single colour, but generally those produced by the liquor of the sea-muscle, especially the scarlet and violet), was among the chief articles of luxury purchased by the great. *Stuffs* (Sidonian garments are mentioned by Homer) in Sidon and especially in Tyre. *Glass*, the manufacture of which was discovered by the Phœnicians, and for a long time confined to them. *Objects of luxury*, in gold, amber, and ivory.

## VII. THE STATES OF ASIA MINOR.

**SOURCES OF INFORMATION.**—Our notices of the history of these 109 states are meagre and scattered. Most of them are found in Herodotus and Strabo, and (for the history of Troas) in Homer and Virgil. Xanthus of Sardes wrote a history of Lydia, in four books, of which only a fragment is extant.

### § 27. *Geography of Asia Minor.*

**NAME.**—The peninsula (formed by the Black, Ægean, 110 and Mediterranean seas), which we name Asia Minor, had no general appellation among either the Greeks or Romans; the term “Asia Propria,” as well as that of “Asia Minor,” which is first found in Orosius (in the fifth century), being employed to indicate only the western half.

**SOIL.**—The interior of the peninsula forms a westerly 111 continuation of the Armenian highlands, separated from the coast on the north by the Taurus, and on the south by the Anti-Taurus, and broken towards the west into chains of lower mountains, such as the Tmolus, Sipylus, Ida, and Olympus. The highest peak is the Argæus on the upper Halys, the point from which the rivers run in different directions into the Black and Mediterranean seas and the Euphrates.

**RIVERS.** *a.* Flowing into the *Pontus Euxinus*—the 112 Halys (now Kisil-Irmak); *b.* into the *Propontis*—the Granicus (battle in 334); *c.* into the *Ægean sea*—the

A Hermus with the golden Pactōlus, the Mæander; *d.* into the *Mediterranean*—the Eurymēdon (battle in 469), and the Cydnus.

113 DIVISIONS AND CITIES.

A. *On the northern coast.*—1. PONTUS with Trapezūs (now Trebizond), and Amīsus, the residence of Mithridates.

2. PAPHLAGONIA, with Sinōpe on the Euxine (the birthplace of the Cynic Diogenes).

B 3. BITHYNIA, with the cities of Chalcēdon on the Bosphorus, opposite Byzantium, Nicomedia on the Propontis (death of Hannibal), Nicæa in the interior (first council in 325).

114 B. *On the western coast.*—1. MYSIA, divided into, *a.* *Lesser Mysia*, the north-eastern part, with the cities of Cyzicus, on the isthmus of the promontory known by the same name; Lampsacus and Abūdus (*or*-*os*) on the Hellespont (battle in 410). *b.* *Greater Mysia* comprehending—*aa.* Troas or the Trojan kingdom (from Abūdus to the promontory of Lectum), the capital of which, Ilium (ἡ Ἰλιος and τὸ Ἰλιον), afterwards called Troja, with its citadel Pergāma, stood on a hill between the rivers Simois and Scamander. (In the place of the Ilium of Homer, which was destroyed, the Mysians and Phrygians founded a second Ilium, and after the death of Alexander a third city of the same name was built nearer the coast). *bb.* The district of DARDANIA, or kingdom of Æneas, situated north of Troas, with its city, Dardania (to be distinguished from the Æolian colony of Dardania, where Sulla concluded a peace with Mithridates). *cc.* The territory of *Pergamum*, at a later period the capital of a distinct kingdom. *dd.* The twelve Æolian cities (reduced to eleven after the secession of Smyrna). See § 57. 1.

115 2. LYDIA, originally Mæonia, with Sardes (αἱ Σάρδεες) on the Pactōlus, the capital of the kingdom of Lydia, afterwards the residence of the Persian satraps, and Magnesia on the Sipylus (defeat of Antiochus in 190), with the Ionian towns.—See § 57. 2.

3. CARIA, with several promontories, among which Mycæle is famous for the defeat of the Persians in 479.

116 C. *On the southern coast.*—1. LYCIA (with Patāra and Xanthus, renowned for the oracle of Apollo Patareus).



## 2. PAMPHYLIA.

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3. CILICIA, divided into western or mountainous (τρα-<sup>A</sup>χεῖα, aspera), and eastern or champaign (πεδιάς, campestris) Cilicia. In the latter were the cities of Soli (οἱ Σόλοι), afterwards Pompeiopolis (Solœcismus), Tarsus on the Cydnus (birthplace of the Apostle Paul), and Issus on the Issic gulf (Alexander's victory in 333).

D. *Mountain districts of the Taurus.*—1. PISIDIA.

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## 2. ISAURIA.

E. *Elevated country of the interior.*—1. PHRYGIA, at various times a district of considerable extent, divided into<sup>B</sup> the Greater Phrygia, to which Lycaonia and Galatia originally belonged, and Lesser Phrygia or Phrygia on the Hellespont. City Ipsus (battle in 301).

2. GALATIA OR GALLOGRÆCIA, formerly a part of Phrygia, occupied since the third century by the Gauls, and divided into twelve tetrarchies. City, Gordium (the Gordian knot).

3. LYCAONIA, with the city of Iconium.

4. CAPPADOCIA, which in the time of the Persian empire<sup>C</sup> comprehended also Pontus, was divided into two satrapies, the greater Cappadocia (which afterwards alone retained the name of Cappadocia), and Cappadocia on the Pontus, which at a later period was known simply by the name of Pontus.

F. *The islands.*—See § 52. D. ii. c.

§ 28. *History of the Kingdom of Lydia.*

The original inhabitants of Lydia, the *Mæonians* (pro-<sup>119</sup>bably Pelasgians), were subdued by the *Lydians*, a Carian race, who invaded the country at a later period. The history of the Lydians is divided according to the three consecutive dynasties of the ATYDÆ, HERACLIDÆ (1200—700?) and MERMNADÆ (700—546), into three periods, the two first of which are entirely fabulous. The fourth<sup>D</sup> of the Mermnadæ, CRÆSUS (560—546), subdued the whole of Asia from the Ægean sea to the Halys (with the exception of Lycia and Cilicia according to Herodotus), but having crossed the river and invaded the Persian dominions, he was conquered and deprived of his kingdom in 546.—See § 55.

Conversation between Cræsus and Solon the Athenian, 120 in which the latter pronounces the happiest of men to be one Tellus, an Athenian, on account of his son's and his

- (120) own death on the field of battle; and next to him the  
 A brothers Cleöbis and Biton, on account of their filial affection, and the love borne them by their mother. Cræsus, before his invasion of Persia, consults the oracle at Delphi, and receiving a response which he deems favourable, crosses the Halys, and after an indecisive battle at Pteria, returns to Sardes, which is taken after a siege of fourteen days, and destroyed by Cyrus, who had previously in a second engagement obtained a victory for which he was  
 B chiefly indebted to his camels. Cræsus, whose life had been saved first through his dumb son's sudden recovery of speech, and afterwards (when placed on a funeral pile with fourteen Lydian youths), through his mention of the name of Solon, sends his fetters to Delphi, and advises Cyrus to secure the subjection of the Lydians, by compelling them to lead a life of enervating luxury.
- 121 Of the history of the remaining states, we possess nothing beyond a few legends and detached notices. For the war of the Greeks against Troy see 237. 4. (p. 120).

## SECOND DIVISION.

### AFRICA.

#### PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

- 122 Africa, of which only the northern part was known to the  
 C ancients, was called by the Greeks simply Libya (Λιβύη). Of all the quarters of the globe this is the most uniform, both as regards its line of coast, which is scarcely diversified at all by gulfs, isthmuses, or promontories, and its interior which presents merely an alternation of hill and valley, with a narrow strip of sea-coast. Its insular form separates it from the other quarters of the old world; whilst the division of the whole region by the equator into two portions, differing but little in climate, and lying nearly under the same parallels of north and south latitude, produces a sameness of phenomena in the animal and vegetable kingdoms. Communication with other parts of the world is rendered difficult by the want of harbours and roadsteads, and by the small number and insignificant extent of its rivers, in most of which navigation is impeded

by cataracts. Of its two most important streams the one (122) communicates merely with an inland sea, whilst the mouth <sup>A</sup> of the other has only been discovered within a few years. At the same time, the vast extent of its trackless deserts, and the small number of navigable rivers present almost insuperable obstacles to communication with the interior. In consequence of these disadvantages, Africa, with the exception of Egypt, has made very little progress in civilization, as compared with the other quarters of the globe.

## A. Geographical View of Africa.

### § 29. *Its Boundaries.*

On the west the Atlantic ocean, or outer sea; on the <sup>123</sup> north the inner, Libyan, or North sea (Mediterranean); <sup>B</sup> on the east Asia (of which the boundaries on that side were exceedingly vague, see 5), the Arabian gulf, and the Erythræan sea; and on the south (as the Greeks supposed) the ocean which united the Erythræan sea to the Atlantic.

### § 30. *The Soil of Africa.*

MOUNTAINS.—The *Atlas*, the summit of which, enve- <sup>124</sup> loped in eternal clouds, was regarded by the ancients as <sup>C</sup> the supporter or pillar of heaven—the *Libyan* and *Arabian* chains, which enclosed the valley of the Nile—the *mountains of the Moon*—*Sandy deserts*—the sea of sand between the Libyan mountains, the Mediterranean, the Atlas, the Ocean, and Nigritia (now called Sahāra), the most extensive desert in the world. In its eastern portion, which is the smaller of the two, there are a few scattered springs of water and oases; but the western division consists entirely of a mass of shifting sand, which is every year extending its limits.

### § 31. *The Waters of Africa.*

SEAS.—On the north the *Mediterranean*, or *North sea* <sup>125</sup> (a part of which was called the Egyptian sea); on the <sup>D</sup> east the *South*, or *Red sea*, with the Arabian gulf; on the south the *Ethiopian* sea; on the west the *outer*, or *Atlantic* ocean, connected with the Mediterranean by the Straits of Hercules (fretum Herculeum or Gaditanum).

(125) LAKES.—Tritonis and Mœris.

<sup>A</sup> RIVERS.—Flowing into the Mediterranean—the Nile (see 133, p. 75); into the interior of Africa—the Niger, or Nigris (Niger, Dschôliba [*or*, Joliba], Quorra); the embouchure of which, in the Bight of Benin, was discovered by Richard and John Lander in the year 1830.

### § 32. *Division of Africa.*

126 The CONTINENT of Libya is divided by Herodotus, according to its physical character, into three regions. 1. *Habitable* Libya, on the shores of the Mediterranean (from Egypt to the promontory of Solœis), inhabited partly by an indigenous race (Libyans and Ethiopians), partly by Greek and Phœnician settlers. 2. The Libya of *wild beasts*, or region of Mount Atlas; and, 3. *Desert or sandy* Libya. The interior of Africa he designates by a general name, as the country of the *Ethiopians*.

THE ISLANDS.—Insulæ Purpurariæ (the northern Canary islands); Insulæ Fortunatæ (the southern Canary islands); Hesperidum Insulæ (Cape de Verd islands!).

## B. The States of Africa.

### I. THE ETHIOPIANS.

127 SOURCES OF INFORMATION.—Herodotus (B. III.), Fragments of Eratosthenes (B.C. 250), and Agatharchides (about 120), Diodorus (B. III.), and Strabo. Modern accounts:—Bruce, *Travels in Abyssinia*, 1790—Burrhardt, *Travels in Nubia*, 1819—Caillaud, *Voyage à Meroë*—Gau, *Antiquités de la Nubie*, 1824—Rüppell, *Reisen in Nubien, Kordofan und dem peträischen Arabien*, 1829—Hoekins, *Travels in Ethiopia*, 1835.

### § 33. *Geography of Ethiopia.*

128 NAME AND EXTENT.—The name of Ethiopians (in the Bible Cushites) was originally given by the Greeks to all people of a black or swarthy complexion ( $\alpha\theta\omega$  and  $\psi$ ), but afterwards the term was applied exclusively to the inhabitants of the country lying southwards of Egypt on the Upper Nile (now Habesch and Nubia).

SOIL.—In the south a table-land, traversed in all directions by chains of mountains; further northwards, towards the middle of the Nile's course, an undulating country,

interspersed with rocks, over which the river forms (128) cataracts.

**RIVERS.**—The Astāpus and Astabōras, the union of **A** which forms the Nile. The inundation, which renders the valley of the Nile so fertile, is occasioned by the Astāpus, but repeated attempts to discover its sources have been hitherto unsuccessful. Probably (as suggested by Ptolemy) it rises in the Mountains of the Moon. The Astabōras flows out of a lake (Tzana) in Abyssinia.

**INHABITANTS.**—The Ethiopians of the state of Meroe; the Troglodytæ and Ichthyophagi, both on the shores of the Arabian gulf; the Macrobiani, on the Indian ocean (?), the Egyptian Warrior-caste, which emigrated in the reign of Psammetichus, and, settling in the southern part of Meroe, founded a city dependent on that kingdom.

### § 34. *The State of Meroe.*

1. **GEOGRAPHY.**—On the large *island*, or rather penin- 129 sula of *Meroe*, formed by the Astāpus and Astabōras, **B** stood the *city of Meroe*, the exact position of which cannot now be ascertained. *Inhabitants.*—Tribes of hunters, herdsmen, and agriculturists, united by their common worship of Ammon and commercial relations.

2. **HISTORY.**—Meroe, which seems to have been the 130 founder of the most ancient Egyptian states, and, in conjunction with Thebes, to have planted the little colony of Ammonium in the Libyan desert, had attained considerable importance as early as the year B.C. 1000, through the celebrity of the oracle of Jupiter Ammon; and its situation, as a central point for the caravan trade, which was protected by the priests, and carried on by the surrounding Nomadic tribes. Its most flourishing period was between **C** the years 800 and 700, when Sabācus subdued Egypt. From this country the worship of Ammon and Osiris, the colossal style of architecture, and probably the hieroglyphic characters, found their way into Egypt. The power of the priests was destroyed in the third century before Christ by king Ergamenes, who put them to death with the aid of the warrior-caste, and changed the theocracy into a monarchy. As early as Nero's time the kingdom had ceased to exist, and the country was a desert.

## 131 3. RELIGION, &amp;c.

A *a. Religion.*—They worshipped the sun as the god Amun, or Jupiter Ammon, in connexion with his oracle. The great similarity between the Ethiopian and Egyptian systems of worship is testified by their architecture. Both seem (like the religion of Brahma) to have been founded on astrology.

*b. Constitution.*—The sovereignty of a priestly caste, who chose a king from their own body. The power of this monarch was restricted within very narrow limits by a variety of sacred laws and a rigid priestly ceremonial.

B *c. Art.*—In Ethiopia, as well as in Nubia, we find numerous ruins of magnificent temples, decorated with sculpture and inscriptions; the most ancient of which are either entirely (like those of India) or partially hewn out of the solid rock; whilst the more recent, the Nubian for instance, are distinct monumental buildings, often with alleys of sphinxes and colossal statues. The relievos on the walls represent historical scenes, partly of a religious character (such as solemn supplications, with offerings and distributions of alms), partly political and warlike; the former, as the more important, being placed in the sanctuary, the latter on the outside. There is a remarkable similarity between Egyptian and Ethiopian works of art.

C *d. TRADE.*—Meroe was the centre of the great traffic between *India, Arabia, Ethiopia, Egypt, Libya, and Carthage.*

This traffic was carried on by Arabians from India by sea to Arabia Felix, or Yemen, across the Arabian gulf to the eastern coast of Africa; and thence by caravans of the Nomadic tribes on that side (Troglodytæ and Ichthyophagi), through Meroe, which was also the emporium for the products of central Africa. Thence the merchants conveyed their goods through Thebes down the Nile into Egypt, and by caravans, which touched at Ammonium, and thence continued their progress through the country of the Garamantes, by the greater Leptis, to Carthage: thus visiting the three principal establishments of the priestly caste (Meroe, Thebes, and Ammonium); to which they were attracted partly by the prospect of greater security, and partly by the concourse of persons who flocked to the national sanctuaries.

## II. THE EGYPTIANS.

132 SOURCES OF INFORMATION.—Manëtho, high priest of Heliopolis, compiled (about the year B.C. 260), by command of King Ptolemy II., a work, entitled *Αἰγυπτιακά* (in three books), from copies of the

hieroglyphical inscriptions preserved in the temples. Fragments of (132) his work are found in Josephus, Eusebius, and Syncellus.

*Hebrew.*—Principally the books of Moses. A

*Greek.*—Herodotus, in Book II. His information was derived from the priests at Memphis; whose accounts, collected from pictorial records, admitting a variety of interpretation, and from the ill-understood hieroglyphical inscriptions on the public monuments, were of necessity imperfect and unsatisfactory. Diodorus, in B. I., partly from the older Greek writers, partly from oral and written communications made to him by the priests at Thebes.—STRABO. We have also descriptions and engravings of the *monuments* themselves by Denon (*Voyage dans la basse et dans la haute Egypte*, 2 vols., 1802); by the savans attached to the French expedition (3rd edit. 1811 and 1815); by Belzoni (*Narrative of the Operations and recent Discoveries in the Pyramids, Temples, Tombs, and Excavations in Egypt and Nubia*, 1821); and Rossellini (*i Monumenti dell' Egitto e della Nubia*, 1st and 2nd vols., 1832-34), *Manners and Customs of the ancient Egyptians*, by J. G. Wilkinson, 3 vols., 1837.

### § 35. *Geography of Egypt.*

**NAME AND BOUNDARIES.**—Egypt, in the Bible Mizraim, 133 and thence still called Mesr by the Arabians, described by B the ancient geographers as belonging either partially or entirely to Asia, was bounded on the north by the Mediterranean, on the east by Arabia and the Arabian gulf, on the south by Ethiopia (so that the islands of the Nile, Elephantine, and perhaps Philæ, belonged to Egypt), and on the west (without any definite frontier) by Libya. In ancient times, however, the name of Egypt was generally understood as belonging only to the valley of the Nile; nor was it until the time of the Ptolemies that its boundaries were extended eastward and westward.

**SOIL AND CLIMATE.**—The valley of the Nile is enclosed 134 by the *Libyan* and *Arabian* mountain chains; both of c which are pierced with a number of valleys crossing them obliquely, and leading on the one side to the Red sea, and on the other to the greater and smaller oases of the Libyan desert. The western chain forms a monotonous barren dam, by which the valley of the Nile is protected from the sand-waves of the Libyan desert; the eastern, which fills the whole country as far as the Red sea, has in Upper Egypt three distinct formations—viz., in the south (from Philæ to Elephantine) rose-coloured granite (the material of which the obelisks, entire temples, and colossal statues, were formed), in the centre (from Syène to Esne) sand-

(134) stone of various colours (material of the temples), gradually  
 A merging in the limestone formation of the mountains in the north, or in Lower and Middle Egypt (material of the pyramids). Of this region the only fertile portion is the valley (from two to three miles in breadth), which is enclosed between these chains, and watered by the Nile. This valley becomes wider as it approaches the north, and, with the Delta (excepting the sandy and marshy ground on the coast), forms a tract of rich alluvial soil, which is manured every year by the overflowings of the Nile. Rain is known only in the Delta. The Chamsin. Ophthalmia—plague.

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B *Seas.*—The North sea (also the Egyptian sea); the Arabian gulf (in the Bible the sea of weeds), the north-western part of which, at a later period, was called the gulf of Heroopolis.

( *Lakes.*—1. The lake Mæris (formerly forty, now only twenty-five leagues in circumference, and extending even within the last 200 years two leagues further southwards than at present,) was fed by a canal from the Nile: to which alone the remark of Herodotus applies, that the lake Mæris was excavated by human hands. In the middle are two pyramids. 2. The lake Mareôtis, connected with the Nile and the Mediterranean.

C *Rivers.*—The Nile (ὁ Νεῖλος), called by Homer Αἴγυπτος (in the Bible Jeor, Nahal Mizraim, and Sihor), is formed by the confluence of the Astāpus and Astabōras (see § 33); and, after descending in two cataracts<sup>1</sup> (a greater in Ethiopia and a lesser on the confines of Egypt), passes Syēne in Egypt, and twenty miles above its mouth divides itself into two principal channels, which enclose the Delta (probably in ancient times a gulf), and flow into the Mediterranean. In the time of Herodotus the Nile had seven mouths; of which the easternmost was at Pelusium, and the most western at Canopus. Of these only two—at Damietta and Rosetta—are now navigable. The constant rains which prevail in Upper Ethiopia during the wet season (from May to September) cause the Nile to rise annually (from June to September), and, when the water is at its full height, to inundate the whole of the valley. In

<sup>1</sup> Others have since been discovered.



order to distribute this body of water (on which the fertility of the land entirely depends) equally over the country, and, at the same time, to facilitate inland communication, artificial lakes (Mœris) and canals were formed, the latter being furnished with sluices and hydraulic machines. The most extended of these canals (that of Joseph) was forty miles in length, and ran parallel to the Nile. Most of them were in the Delta. Two ancient canals communicate with the Red sea.

*Natural Productions.*—The crocodile, esteemed sacred, and after death embalmed and enclosed in a coffin by some Egyptian tribes, and eaten by others—the hippopotamus, or river horse—the ichneumon—the ibis, which devours winged serpents—the trochilus. Corn (even in the days of Abraham and Joseph, Egypt was a place of refuge for the neighbouring nations in seasons of scarcity, and subsequently became the granary of Rome and Constantinople)—cotton—the papyrus shrub—the lotus (from which they made bread). There is a deficiency of wood and metals, but an abundance of stone.

*Division into*—1. Upper Egypt, or Thebais (from Syēne to Chemmis; 2. Central Egypt, or Heptanomis (as far as the division of the Nile); 3. Lower Egypt, or the Delta, and the lands on each side of it belonging to Egypt. Each of these districts was subdivided into a number of Nomes (see § 37).

*CITIES.*—All standing on elevated ground. Herodotus, ii. 177, calculates their number in the time of Amāsis at 20,000.

A. In *Upper Egypt*.—1. PHILÆ, on a little island above the smaller cataract, visited by pilgrims on account of the grave of Osiris (only 2700 feet in circumference), the richest and best preserved group of ruins in all Egypt, principally remains of temples. 2. ELEPHANTINE, also on an island, with some architectural remains, demolished in 1818. 3. SYÈNE, on the Nile (now Assuan), opposite Elephantine, the frontier town on the side of Ethiopia; where Juvenal died in exile. 4. THEBES, or Diospolis, on both sides of the Nile, capital of the Thebais, and the most ancient residence of the Egyptian kings. This city, called by Homer the hundred-gated (ἐκατόμυλοι, Il. ix. 383), was richer than any other city of the earth in

- (138) architectural specimens, the ruins of which now fill the whole of a valley two miles in breadth.

The most remarkable monuments of antiquity in Thebes are—

**a.** ABOVE GROUND, *aa.* On the *western side*, the race-course, used for foot-, horse-, and chariot-races—innumerable ruins of ancient temples and palaces in Medinet-Abou—a crowd of colossal fragments—two colossal figures of Memnon, represented in a sitting posture, one of which is reported to have sent forth a musical sound at sunrise—gigantic remains of the sepulchre of Osymandyas, with an enormous granite rock, which looks at a distance like a statue of Osymandyas. *bb.* On the *eastern side*; the two Obelisks, in front of the palace of Luxor, one of which has been set up at Paris (since 1834)—the torsos of lions, with rams' heads, being the remains of an avenue of 600 colossal sphinxes in the village of Karnak—and the palace of Karnak, with a mass of dilapidated walls, broken columns, mutilated colossal statues, and overthrown obelisks<sup>1</sup>; and between them enormous halls (one of them 318 feet long and 159 feet wide; the roof-plates of which are supported by a forest of columns. In the largest building there are 134 of these pillars, the thickest of which measures seventy feet in height and eleven feet in diameter: in front of them are the loftiest gates and porticos in the world. The whole is covered with sculpture, and the interior decorated with paintings in fresco, the colours of which are still exceedingly brilliant.

**c.** *b.* UNDER GROUND.—Opposite Thebes the Libyan range of mountains, to the extent of two leagues, and to the height of 300 feet, is pierced with innumerable Catacombs, which, in number, dimensions, and beauty, excel all the grottos of a similar description in Egypt, India, and Italy. In ancient times they served as places of burial for the dead; and at the commencement of the middle ages were occupied by the anchorites of the Thebais. They are now inhabited by Troglodytæ. (See § 37—4, c.)

A separate cleft of this Libyan chain contains the sepulchres of the kings of the Thebais, sunk into the rock (one of them is 341 feet deep), with long galleries, which gradually descend to a greater depth, interrupted by innumerable halls, corridors, and chambers, in which stood the sarcophagi which contained the mummies; the whole decorated with the most exquisite sculpture and painting. In one of them there was found a sarcophagus of the most beautiful alabaster, only two inches thick, and consequently transparent. It was covered within and without with 2000 hieroglyphic figures, varying in height from one to six inches, with others of the natural size. In the catacombs, near the uncoffined mummies, rolls of papyrus have been found, covered with hieroglyphics and Egyptian characters.

- 139 *B.* In central Egypt the monuments of antiquity were destroyed at a much earlier period, and more completely,

<sup>1</sup> Here once stood the largest monolith in the world, ninety-one feet in length.

than in Upper Egypt. The catacombs, however, still (139) point out where the demolished cities once stood. The <sup>A</sup> most important of these was Memphis, on the western side of the Nile, near to which stood the pyramids. See § 37—4, *e*.

*C. In Lower Egypt—a. In the Delta.* 1. Naucrātis, 140 where the Greek merchants established themselves, by permission of Amāsis. 2. Sais, from the time of Psammetichus, the royal residence. 3. Busīris, with the chief temple of Isis. *b. Westward of the Delta*—Canōpus, called by Herodotus Canobas (now Aboukir), on the western bank of the Nile at its mouth, and at a later period Alexandria, founded by Alexander the Great, with its four ports; before the largest of which lay the island Pharos, with its famous lighthouse. *c. Eastward of the Delta*—<sup>B</sup> 1. On (Ἡλιούπολις), with the celebrated temple of the sun. 2. Pelusium (perhaps the Avaris of the Hyksos), on the eastern side of the Nile, near its mouth, surrounded by swamps (hence Pelusium from πῆλυς), and considered the key of Egypt on the side of Asia. It was besieged without success by Sennacherib. Defeat of Psammenitus, and subsequently of Nectanebus.

*D. On the shores of the Arabian gulf* arose, at a later 141 period, the cities of Heroopolis (on the canal of Ptolemy), Arsinoe, Myoshormos, and Berenice.

### § 36. HISTORY OF THE EGYPTIANS.

#### 1. *Fabulous period to the reign of Sesostris, or* (about 1500 years B.C.).

The most ancient states (Nomes) of Egypt, that is to 142 say those of Upper Egypt, were settlements founded by <sup>c</sup> the priestly caste of Meroe (comp. § 34), whose rallying point was the temple with its privileged priesthood. The more powerful states soon began to exercise authority over the weaker. The most ancient and mightiest was *Thebes*. During the period anterior to Sesostris, the throne, according to Manētho, was occupied by eighteen dynasties.

The first king is generally supposed to have been *Menes*, to whom the building of Memphis (a Theban colony), is ascribed. According to Herodotus he was followed by 330 sovereigns (answering to the eighteen dynasties of Manetho), of whom the priests knew only the names, no memorials of their deeds being extant. Among the

- (142) successors of Menes, Diodorus mentions Busiris as the builder of Thebes and Osimandyas, on account of his sumptuous monument with its library. As early as the year 2000, Abraham found a kingdom established in Upper Egypt. The Pharaoh at whose court Joseph lived, resided probably at Memphis.

- 143 The most important event of the first period was the invasion of the Hyksos<sup>1</sup> (name of their leaders?), a Nomadic tribe from Arabia, who fortified Avaris, Αὔαρις: (Pelusium?) and spread themselves over lower and central Egypt, ravaging the country, and destroying every vestige of civilization. This accounts for the blank in the early history of Egypt. These invaders destroyed the power of the priesthood, but were themselves, after a lapse of many centuries(?), expelled by the Egyptians under the command of Thutmossis, king of Thebes. The religion, which had been suppressed by the Hyksos, was then re-established, and the great temple erected (under the auspices of Amenophis II., called by the Greeks Memnon, whose statue used to send forth musical sounds at sunrise).

According to Herodotus, the last of these kings was Moeris, to whom the historian ascribes the excavation of the lake Moeris and the building of its two pyramids. Exodus of the Israelites, establishment of colonies by Cecrops in Attica, and Danaus in Argos.

## 2. FROM SESOSTRIS TO THE AUTOCRACY OF PSAMMETICHUS.

(B.C. 1500—656.)

- 144 The mighty conquests ascribed by tradition (following, perhaps, some Egyptian heroic poem) to Sesostris (on the monuments, Ramases: in Diodorus, Sesoosis) are limited by Herodotus to an expedition on the Arabian gulf for the subjugation of the nations on the Erythræan sea, and a campaign (through Syria and Asia Minor, where the historian himself saw memorials of his exploits) against the Scythians and Thracians; but with the increase of geographical knowledge, the range of his reputation became so extended, that Diodorus speaks of all the nations of Asia, to the very shores of the Pacific, as being his tributaries. Herodotus also mentions him as the only Egyptian king, who ever ruled over Ethiopia. He divided the country into thirty-six Nomes (comp. § 37. 2),

<sup>1</sup> [Supposed to be the Israelites by Josephus and many modern writers. See Browne's *Ordo Sæclorum*, p. 578.]

each under a governor (Nomarch), distributed in equal (144) proportions the land capable of cultivation, allowed architects from the conquered nations to build temples to the principal divinities in all the cities of Egypt erected obelisks, intersected Lower Egypt with canals, and built a wall 1500 stadia in length from Pelusium to Heliopolis, to protect the country from invasion on the side of Syria and Arabia. Under his successors, who probably resided at Memphis, the territory acquired by conquest in Asia and Europe was soon lost, the authority of the later Pharaohs extending only over Nubia (as far as Meroë), and over Libya.

**RHAPSINĪTUS** (about 1200), story of the robbery of his treasury. 145

**CHEOPS** closed the temples and prohibited the offering of sacrifices, that he might exact the full amount of compulsory labour from the people, for the building of the pyramids (compare § 37). His brother acted in a similar manner.

**CHEPHREN** continued the building of the pyramids.

**MYCERĪNUS** reopened the temples and distinguished himself by his justice. During the period from Mycerinus to Sabaco (about 300 years), only two kings are mentioned by Herodotus; viz. *Asychis* and the blind *Anysis*, who was driven by Sabaco into the marshes. In the Bible, mention is made of an Egyptian king named *Sisak*, who, in the year 970, made war on Rehoboam, and stormed and plundered Jerusalem.

About 760, the Ethiopians under Sabaco invaded 146 the country, and governed Upper Egypt<sup>1</sup> during a period of fifty years, the dynasties of Bubastis and Tanis still maintaining their authority in Lower Egypt. Soon after the departure of the Ethiopians, the reins of government were seized by **SETHOS** or Sethon, a priest of Phtha at Memphis. The warrior-caste having been treated with great contempt by this sovereign and robbed of their estates, refused to meet the Assyrian king Sennacherib, who had advanced as far as Pelusium. Notwithstanding this backwardness on the part of the army, the invader was compelled to raise the siege (by an army of field-mice, according to the legend). After Sethos, the sovereign authority was restored to the warrior-caste, and Egypt divided into twelve states, the **DODECARCHY** (671—656),

<sup>1</sup> According to Manetho, Egypt was governed during these fifty years by three Ethiopian kings, of whom the Bible recognizes only the two last.

(146) which were destroyed by a civil war after continuing a fifteen years. One of these twelve princes, PSAMMETICHUS, who reigned at Sais, and opened Lower Egypt to the Greeks and Phœnicians, was banished to the marshes by the other eleven, on account of his fulfilment of a prophecy (by pouring a libation from a brazen helmet); but with the aid of Greek and Carian mercenary troops, he succeeded in expelling the eleven princes and re-establishing the monarchy.

### 3. FROM THE REIGN OF PSAMMETICHUS TO THE PERSIAN CONQUEST.

(B.C. 656—617.)

147 1. PSAMMETICHUS (656—617) having offended the warrior-caste by granting estates to his mercenaries, the greater part of the former body (240,000) migrated from Egypt to Ethiopia (comp. § 33). From this period the flower of the Egyptian army, and even the royal body-guard, was composed of Greek mercenaries. At the head of these troops the Egyptian kings made several attempts on different parts of Asia, especially Syria and Palestine. These expeditions were commenced by Psammetichus, but his progress was stopped by the obstinate resistance of the Syrian frontier city of Azôtus (Ashdod), which was taken after a blockade of twenty-nine years, and by the advance of the Scythians into Syria. Memphis still continued to be the capital, but the usual residence of the sovereign was Sais. Psammetichus having caused Egyptian youths to be instructed in the Greek language by Greeks who had settled in Europe, from them sprang the caste of the interpreters. His son

148 2. NEKOS (also Necho, 617—601) continued the favour shown by his father to the foreign mercenaries, at whose suggestion probably he began a canal intended to unite the Red and Mediterranean seas, by communicating with the latter by the Pelusian branch of the Nile; but this project was never completed. He also carried out the plans of conquest set on foot by his father, stormed Jerusalem, and advanced as far as the Euphrates, where he was overthrown by Nebuchadnezzar, near Circesium (in 604), and deprived of all his conquests in Syria and Palestine. The circumnavigation of Africa by the Phœnicians (see § 26).

3. Of his son **PSAMMIS** (601—595), Herodotus records 149 only one short expedition against Ethiopia, of which the **A** issue, as it was related to him by the priests, was unfavorable. His son

4. **APRIES** (in the Bible, Hophra, 595—570) revived 150 Necho's plans, and marching with a land force against Sidon, carried that city, and at the same time overthrew the Tyrians in a naval engagement. But the anti-national system of government of the Asiatic dynasties was cut short in consequence of an accusation brought against Apries, that he had undertaken an expedition against Cyrène, for the purpose of wearing out the remnant of the warrior-caste. The army, after sustaining a defeat from **B** the Cyrenians, rose against the king, and called to the throne Amāsis, who had been sent to put down the insurrection. Apries, with his Greek mercenaries, was vanquished near Momemphis, taken prisoner, and subsequently strangled.

5. **AMASIS** (570—526), who at the commencement of 151 his reign was lightly esteemed, as belonging neither to the priestly nor warrior-caste, endeavoured to propitiate the priesthood by building and embellishing several temples and other edifices, and established his authority on a firm basis by the conquest of the island of Cyprus, as well as by alliances with Cyrene, Polycrātes the tyrant of Samos, and the Greeks, to whom he granted Naucratis for a settlement. His reign was the most flourishing period **C** of Egyptian history. He died whilst Cambyses, whom he had insulted, was advancing against him with an army (comp. § 21). His son

6. **PSAMMENITUS** (525) was vanquished by Cambyses, 152 near Pelusium, Memphis taken, and Egypt reduced to the condition of a Persian province (see § 21).

#### 4. EGYPT UNDER PERSIAN RULE.

(B.C. 525—332.)

The insults offered by Cambyses to the priesthood (still 153 an influential caste) and to the Egyptian religion, had **D** excited a spirit of national hatred, which on *three* occasions led the Egyptians to throw off their allegiance to Persia, a proceeding which was rendered comparatively easy by the distance of the seat of government from their

(153) country. The first revolt was in the reign of Darius I.,  
 A and suppressed by Xerxes I. The second under Artaxerxes I., by whom they were compelled to return to their allegiance, with the exception of Amyrtæus, who maintained himself in the marshes at the mouth of the Nile. Third revolt under Darius Nothus. Amyrtæus assumed the sovereign authority, and the Egyptians remained sixty-four years (414—350) an independent nation, subject to their own kings, in spite of the attempts of Artaxerxes II. to reduce them. This object was at length accomplished by Artaxerxes III., the last Egyptian king, Nectanebus, being compelled to take refuge in Ethiopia. Egypt a Macedonian province in 332.

### § 37. Religion, &c. of the Egyptians.

154 1. RELIGION<sup>1</sup>.—*Objects of worship* different in different  
 B Nomes. 1. *Beasts*, either individual animals (*e.g.* Apis at Memphis, the he-goat at Mendes, &c.), or species, such as the crocodile, hawk, cat, dog, ichneumon, hippopotamus, serpent, &c., which in one Nome were accounted sacred, and the killing of them forbidden on pain of death, whilst in the others they were killed and eaten by the people. Individual animals among the sacred beasts were attended by guardians specially appointed to that duty, and after death were embalmed and placed in consecrated coffins amidst the lamentations of their worshippers. 2. *Inanimate objects*—the Nile, Osiris (the sun?), and Isis (the  
 C moon?) 3. *Local divinities*—Ammon (Zeus) at Thebes, Phtha (Vulcan) at Memphis. On (the sun) at Heliopolis, Neith (the goddess of fate) at Sais. The religion of the priests was essentially different from that of the people, embracing more exalted conceptions of the divinity, and furnishing other views of the life after death. FEASTS, SACRIFICES, and RELIGIOUS PRACTICES, varied according to the locality and the deity worshipped: but the belief in the immortality of the soul seems to have been universal, its existence however being supposed to depend on the preservation of the corpse, the soul passing, after the decay of its habitation, into the body of some beast. Without embalming and the performance of funeral rites

<sup>1</sup> [Mr. Browne thinks, that the hated *Typhon* is "the mythological impersonation of Israel." *Ordo Sæclorum*, p. 606.]



the deceased could not be admitted into the realms of the (154) blessed. His right to these honours was ascertained by <sup>A</sup> an inquest consisting of forty members, by whom his former life and conversation were strictly investigated. There were oracles at the principal temples (of Ammon at Thebes, Latona at Buto, &c.).

## 2. CONSTITUTION.

**DIVISION OF THE COUNTRY INTO NOMES.**—The number 155 and names of these Nomes are variously reported. They seem originally to have been independent priestly states, each settlement of the priestly caste forming a Nome of its own, until the gradual amalgamation of the whole into one kingdom.

**DIVISION OF THE PEOPLE INTO SEVEN CASTES (γένεα):** 156  
<sup>a</sup> a. The *priestly caste*, which emigrated from Meroe, and <sup>B</sup> spread over the whole of Egypt, had its principal stations at the chief temples, viz. at Thebes, Memphis, Heliopolis, and Sais. The priesthood and high priesthood were hereditary, the sons being compelled to remain in the same temple, and attached to the service of the same god as their fathers. Scientific knowledge being exclusively in the hands of the priesthood, all judges, physicians, interpreters of signs, and officers of state, were taken from that body, which was honoured as the ruling caste. Their revenue consisted of the income derived from the farming out of the tax-free estates belonging to the temples. They were rigid monogamists, and observed the strictest cleanliness in their persons and dress.

<sup>b</sup> b. The *warrior-caste*, hereditary, settled generally in <sup>c</sup> Lower Egypt (on account of the frequent wars with Asia), and paid by grants of land. No cavalry, only war chariots and infantry. The emigration in the reign of Psammetichus did not extend to the whole caste.

<sup>c</sup> c. *Caste of the herdsmen*—not Nomades, but tribes settled in the mountains and swampy lands of the Delta, where there was no arable land, but abundance of excellent pasture.

<sup>d</sup> d. *Caste of the swineherds*, an indigenous, unclean, <sup>D</sup> and despised tribe, prohibited from mingling with the other castes, and even excluded from the temples. Indispensable, however, on account of the use made of swine in sacrifices and for treading in the corn.

- 156) e. *Caste of tradesmen* (κάπηλοι), comprising artists, A merchants, shopkeepers, and artificers. Each of these employments was probably hereditary.

f. *Caste of boatmen on the Nile*, of especial importance during the inundations.

g. The *caste of the interpreters*, which formed the medium of communication with foreigners, was established by Psammetichus (see 147, c. p. 82).

Diodorus, who comprehends all the herdsmen in one caste, mentions also a caste of agriculturists, who perhaps were the farmers of estates belonging to the kings, priests, and warriors. Whether these formed a portion of the "tradesmen caste" described by Herodotus, is not very clear.

- 157 The kings or Pharaohs were probably chosen from the B warrior-caste by the priests. Their power was circumscribed by the influence (arising principally from their control over the oracles) of the priests by whom they were surrounded, and from whom they were obliged to choose all the officers of state. They resided at Thebes, afterwards at Memphis, and lastly at Sais. Their revenues were derived from their estates, the gold mines of Nubia, the fisheries, and the tribute paid by conquered nations. The kings commanded the army in time of war; but judicial questions were investigated by courts of which the members were all priests (the supreme court of justice consisted of thirty members). The proceedings were conducted in writing, and sentence given according to written laws.

- 158 3. SCIENCES, which were exclusively in the hands of C the priests.

a. *Astronomy*, applied either to the settlement of the seasons, the arrangement of the calendar, and the agricultural operations dependent on it, or to astrology, which in Egypt, more than elsewhere, exercised an influence over the public and private life of the people.

b. *Geometry*, a science introduced by the necessity of remeasuring the fields after every inundation of the Nile. The erection of their magnificent buildings also required mathematical knowledge.

c. *Medicine*. Each part of the body and every disease had its own physician, who could not depart from the rules laid down in the six books of medical instructions.

d. *Jurisprudence*. Legislation being connected with re- (158)  
ligion, their priests were also judges. <sup>A</sup>

e. *Historical learning* consisted in an acquaintance with the public monuments and sacred writings.

4. ART. The monuments of Egypt exhibit proofs of 159  
great mechanical skill, and gigantic solidity of construction; but the dependence of art on religion and politics, and the rigid prohibition of any alteration in the established forms, although no impediment to the production of grand and magnificent effects, rendered it impossible for Egyptian artists to rise to the representation of the beautiful.

ARCHITECTURE and SCULPTURE were closely connected 160  
among the Egyptians, the latter being employed partly in <sup>B</sup>  
the production of hieroglyphics, partly of figures representing, with the aid of painting, religious ceremonies, the affairs of private life, and historical events.

THE OBJECTS OF ART were:

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a. The *Temples*, the walls, pillars, and roofs of which were covered with figures representing for the most part objects of religious worship, and with hieroglyphical inscriptions.

b. The *Palaces*, with representations of historical events.

c. The *Catacombs* or sepulchres in the Libyan mountains, especially near Thebes, with a great number of chambers, side-closets, halls, staircases, corridors, and perpendicular wells, adorned with hieroglyphics and painted sculpture, representing every possible circumstance and employment of life.

d. The *Obelisks* were pillars, square at the base, and terminating in a point. They were generally formed out of a single block of granite from 50 to 180 feet in height, with a base of from 5 to 25 feet; hewn and polished in the mountains of Upper Egypt, and transported by the Nile and its canals to the place of their destination (principally Thebes and Heliopolis), where they were set up at the entrances of the temples and palaces and covered with hieroglyphical inscriptions.

Several of these obelisks were brought in the time of the Roman <sup>D</sup>  
emperors to Rome and Constantinople, where they were erected, but afterwards thrown down. Sixtus V., and some of the other popes, caused several of them to be replaced at Rome. The Luxor obelisk is in the Place de la Concorde at Paris. Cleopatra's needle is about to be removed from Egypt, where it still lies, and placed in the grounds of the Crystal Palace.

- (161) e. The *Pyramids* (also *Piramyds*), only found in central  
 A Egypt, are quadrilateral buildings (the horizontal length of the sides being gradually diminished as the building ascends), often ending at top in a flat superficies. They were built of various heights (the largest, that of Cheops, originally 800, now only 465 feet high, was completed in thirty years by 100,000 labourers; a canal from the Nile was brought to the spot, and on the island formed by its waters was the burial-place of the king), of limestone cased externally with granite or marble, with few inscriptions. On the  
 B inside were chambers and passages. There are still about forty pyramids near Memphis, standing in five groups, the most celebrated of which is the group of Ghizeh. Their four sides are turned towards the four cardinal points of the compass. Various conjectures have been hazarded respecting the use for which they were intended. Probably they were either themselves sepulchres, or erected over burial-places to mark the entrance.

f. *Colossal Sphinxes*.—Couchant lions, with human heads, representing (perhaps) distinguished men and sovereigns.  
 c Thus the double rows of 200, and even 600, of such sphinxes at Luxor and Carnac might represent the long line of Theban kings.

g. The *Labyrinth*, erected (according to Herodotus, II. 148) by the Dodearchs (146, D.), in the vicinity of the lake Mœris, consisted of twelve covered courts, with 1500 chambers above ground; and the same number, it is said, of subterranean rooms, with the coffins of the twelve founders and the sacred crocodiles. The ruins which have been discovered do not enable us to trace the ground plan of this extraordinary work.

- 162 THE ART OF WRITING<sup>1</sup>.—Of the Egyptian inscriptions  
 D only a few detached sentences and single letters have been hitherto decyphered.

- 163 According to the opinion of Champollion, they had three distinct modes of writing. 1. The *hieroglyphic*, or sacred text, which was

<sup>1</sup> Young, *Hieroglyphics*, 1823.—Champollion, *Lettre à Mr. Dacier relative à l'Alphabet des Hiéroglyphes*, 1822; and *Précis du Système Hiéroglyphique des anciens Egyptiens*, 1824.—Spohn, *Rudimenta Hieroglyphices*, ed. Seyffarth, 1826.—Seyffarth, *Systema Astronomiæ Egyptiacæ*, 1833.—Salvolini, *Analyse grammaticale de différens Textes Egyptiens*, 1836.

employed on their public monuments, and comprehended three sorts (163) of characters, viz.—*a.* Figures, representing the actual object ; *b.* Symbolic signs, indicating abstract conceptions, through the medium <sup>A</sup> of analogous natural objects ; *c.* A sort of alphabet, consisting of 100 letters (phonetic hieroglyphics), which represented different sounds by the figure of those objects of which the name began with the sound in question in the ancient Egyptian tongue, which is interpreted through the Coptic ; a language no longer spoken, but preserved in their literature. 2. The *Hieratic*, or characters employed by the priesthood ; an abbreviation of the hieroglyphic form. 3. The *demotic*, or popular character, consisting almost entirely of phonetic signs, and employed in the common intercourse of life.

5. The want of timber for ship-building compelled the 164 Egyptians for a long time to confine themselves to inland <sup>B</sup> and river traffic. Its position, midway between Africa and Asia, in the vicinity of the gold of Nubia and Abyssinia, and the facilities for transport afforded by the Nile, the only navigable stream of northern Africa, rendered Egypt, especially Upper Egypt, the centre of an extensive commerce by means of caravans. (Compare § 34.) (Corn and cloth were transported into Arabia and Syria by caravans of the Nomadic tribes.) The commercial relations of Egypt were extended by Psammetichus, who opened the ports to the Phœnicians and Greeks, and by Amasis, who permitted the Greeks to form a settlement at Naucratis <sup>C</sup> (the Hellenion). The increase in the consumption of Egyptian produce, consequent on these arrangements, gave a fresh stimulus to agricultural and manufacturing industry.

6. Our knowledge of Egyptian HANDICRAFTS, as well 165 as the employment of their every day life, is obtained from pictures, especially those found in the tombs. They possessed the art of weaving garments, tapestry, and carpets ; of dyeing in various colours ; of producing a great variety of elegant articles in metal, and of manufacturing earthen vessels for domestic use, and for the reception of the sacred mummies.

### III. THE CARTHAGINIANS (Carchedonii).

SOURCES OF INFORMATION.—The works of their *native* writers 166 (alluded to by Sallust, Bell. Jug. 17) are all lost ; nor is any mention <sup>D</sup> made of Carthaginian history by the Greek and Roman historians, except in so far as it coincides with that of their respective countries. We possess, it is true, accurate accounts of the wars of Carthage with Syracuse and Rome in the works of Polybius, Diodorus, Livy, and Appian ; but none of them treat the history of that country as a primary subject. The only notices which we have respecting the

(166) early history of Carthage are found in Justin (from Theopompus).

A The constitution is also described by Aristotle in his *Politics*.

### § 38. *Geography of the kingdom of Carthage.*

167 The kingdom of Carthage, at its most flourishing period, was bounded on the north by the Mediterranean, on the east by the state of Cyrene (the boundary stone was called *aræ Philænorum*), on the south by the lake Tritonis, and on the west by Numidia; the frontier on that side being very vague and unsettled, on account of the Nomadic tribes by whom the country was inhabited.

#### 168 DIVISION AND CITIES.

B *a.* The *northern* part, or *Zeugitana*, with the cities of—

1. CARTHAGO, on a peninsula, in the bight of a gulf formed by two promontories (the Hermæan and that of Apollo), was protected by the citadel of Byrsa, and on the land side by a triple wall (thirty yards high and thirty feet in breadth), with two ports; the outer for trading vessels, and the inner (in the city itself) for ships of war. 2. Uṭīca, a more ancient city than Carthage, and after its fall, the capital of the province of Africa (Cato *Uticensis*).

c *b.* The *southern* part, or *Byzacium* (from the people of the Byzantines); of which the fertile region, bordering on the lesser Syrtes and the lake Tritonis, is sometimes further distinguished by the name of *Emporia* (on account of the number of commercial towns). Cities:—1. Adrumētum; 2. The lesser Leptis; 3. Thapsus (Cæsar's victory over Juba, B.C. 46.)

*c.* The *eastern* part, or the *regio Syrtica*, between the two Syrtes; a flat district, inhabited by Nomadic tribes with a few colonies, such as the greater Leptis and others.

### § 39. *Foreign Possessions and Settlements of the Carthaginians.*

169 A. FOREIGN PROVINCES, governed by lieutenants (*στυπιδῶν ἡγετοί*).

1. *Sardinia*, the most ancient foreign possession of the Carthaginians. This province, which was ceded to the Romans at the end of the first Punic war, was important, partly on account of its natural productions (grain, metals?), partly as the key of the Mediterranean, and the emporium of their commerce with western Europe. Capital city, Calāris (Cagliari), built by the Carthaginians.

2. *Corsica* (Cyrnos), of which only a part belonged to (169) Carthage; ceded to the Romans at the same time as A Sardinia.

3. *Sicily*; never entirely in their occupation. The Carthaginians took possession of the settlements founded by the Phœnicians (see § 24); and through the attempts which they made to extend their conquests, were involved for 200 years in quarrels with the Syracusans.

4. *The smaller western islands of the Mediterranean.*—The Balearic isles (inhabited by Troglodytes, who served in war as slingers), with Ebŭsus (Ivica), and Melite (Malta).

5. In *Spain*, the Carthaginians at first had only a few B detached settlements on the southern and western coasts. It was not until after the loss of Sicily and Sardinia that they endeavoured to make themselves masters of the whole country.

B. FOREIGN SETTLEMENTS on the *northern* and *western* coasts of *Africa*, and the *western* coast of *Spain*. These, as well as the provinces, were kept in a state of complete dependence on the mother country, which was enabled to retain her supremacy by her position almost in the centre of her colonies, and her large military and naval force. Establishment of the worship of Melkarth in the colonies.

## § 40. HISTORY OF THE CARTHAGINIANS.

1. *From the Building of Carthage to the Wars with the Greeks in Sicily.*

(B.C. 880—480.)

The Phœnicians having already founded Utica, and per- 170  
haps other cities on the northern coast of Africa, partly on c  
account of the fertility of the soil, partly for the sake of  
commerce with the native Nomadic tribes, and intercourse  
by sea with Spain, the establishment of Carthage was  
effected about the year 878 (?) by a party who had emi-  
grated from Tyre in consequence of a civil war.

*Legend of its establishment.*—Dido, a Tyrian princess (according to 171  
Virgil and some historians a contemporary of Æneas), fled from her  
brother Pygmalion, the murderer of her husband, and having pur-  
chased as much land in the district of Utica as she could cover with  
an ox's hide (βύρρα †) cut it into strips sufficient to enclose a space  
of half a mile (†), and built the fortress of Byrsa, which was gra-  
dually surrounded by a city. D

This state, which from its foundation was independent 172

(172) (except in religious matters), soon extended itself. 1. By the subjugation of the neighbouring tribes, who were kept in a state of dependence by the establishment of Carthaginian colonists. The amalgamation of these with the natives produced the nation of the Libyo-Phœnicians. 2. By foreign conquests and settlements. Voyages of discovery undertaken by Hanno and Himilko beyond the pillars of Hercules.—Abortive attempt of Cambyses against Carthage (see § 21).—First commercial treaty with Rome.

2. FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE WARS WITH THE GREEKS IN SICILY TO THE WARS WITH THE ROMANS.

(B.C. 480—264.)

173 FIRST WAR IN SICILY (480).—The first step towards the downfall of the Carthaginian state, which had risen so rapidly into importance, was the unsuccessful attempt of the Carthaginians entirely to subdue Sicily, where they had already taken possession of the colonies formerly established by the Phœnicians. Although they chose for this purpose the very moment when Greece, occupied with the Persian war, was straining every nerve to preserve her own independence, their immense army (300,000 strong?) was nevertheless utterly defeated near Himēra (480) by Gelon, tyrant of Syracuse, on the same day as the battle of Salamis. In this engagement Hamilcar, their commander-in-chief, was slain, and their fleet burnt, nor were terms of peace granted to them until they had consented to pay a considerable tribute.

174 SECOND WAR IN SICILY (410—339).—After an intermission of hostilities for seventy years, the war with the Greeks was renewed, in consequence of the assistance given to the people of Egesta against Selinus by the Carthaginians, who destroyed Selinus, Himera, Agrigentum, and Gela, and concluded a peace with Syracuse, by which they became masters of the western part of Sicily. The Syracusans, however, under their tyrant Dionysius I., and afterwards under the Corinthian Timoleon, made repeated attempts to expel the Carthaginians from Sicily; and succeeded so far as considerably to circumscribe their possessions on the island.

175 THIRD WAR IN SICILY (317—375).—The tyrant Agathōcles had hardly ascended the throne of Syracuse, when he endeavoured to subdue the rest of Sicily, and, in



consequence of this attempt, became involved in a war (175) with the Carthaginians, who afforded an asylum to the A people whom he had expelled, wrested his conquests from Agathōcles, and laid siege to Syracuse itself. The tyrant then effected a landing in Africa, stormed most of the Carthaginian cities, ravaged their territory, and even threatened the capital itself, which at that time was in a state of commotion on account of Bomilcar's attempt to make himself absolute. Meanwhile, the Syracusans overthrew and B annihilated the besieging army of the Carthaginians. No sooner, however, had Agathōcles quitted Africa for the purpose of crushing the opposition of the Sicilians, than the army which he had left to carry on the siege of Carthage began to melt away, and Agathōcles himself was compelled to concede to the Carthaginians the peaceable occupation of their former possessions in Sicily, on condition of their becoming tributary to Syracuse. After the C death of Agathōcles (280), the victorious Carthaginians advanced to the walls of Syracuse, which was weakened by intestine struggles; but were twice beaten back as far as Lilybæum by Pyrrhus, who had been invited over from Italy, and was already on the eve of embarking for Africa, when several cities, disgusted at his extreme severity, again joined the Carthaginians, and overthrew him in a naval engagement on his return from Sicily in the year 275.

### 3. FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE WARS WITH THE ROMANS TO THE DESTRUCTION OF CARTHAGE.

(B.C. 264—146.)

FIRST WAR WITH ROME, 264—241. See § 119. 176

WAR WITH THE MERCENARIES (240—237).—The first D war with Rome not only ended in the loss of Sicily, but so completely exhausted the exchequer of the Carthaginian government, as to leave no funds for discharging the arrears of pay due to the mercenary soldiers. A mutiny of these hired troops being immediately succeeded by an insurrection of the Carthaginian provincial towns, which availed themselves of this opportunity to throw off the oppressive and often bloody yoke of the Carthaginians, Hanno was appointed commander-in-chief; but, being unsuccessful in his endeavours to crush the insurrection, was,

(176) superseded by Hamilcar Barcas, who, by great exertions, brought the war to a satisfactory termination. During this war the Romans deprived the Carthaginians of Sardinia, and soon afterwards of Corsica. Proceedings having been commenced by his enemies against Hamilcar, on the ground of his having occasioned the mercenaries' war, and the consequent loss of Sardinia, by promises made to the soldiers on his own responsibility, the accused appealed to the people, and having succeeded in gaining over their leaders, the process fell to the ground. Thus there arose an *aristocratical party* under *Hanno*, and a *democratical*, headed by *Hamilcar*,—the first step towards the destruction of the constitution.

177 In order to indemnify his country for the loss of her best provinces, Sicily and Sardinia (the guilt of which was laid to his charge), and for the purpose of recruiting the finances, Hamilcar, without consulting either the people or senate, undertook the conquest of Spain. Hamilcar was succeeded in the command by his son-in-law Hasdrubal; and during the nine years of its occupation by the former general, and eight by the latter, the whole of southern Spain was brought into subjection to the Carthaginians, partly by negotiation and partly by war; until a period was put to their conquests in that quarter by the conclusion of a treaty, by which Hasdrubal pledged himself not to cross the Iberus, and to respect the Saguntines as allies of Rome. Hasdrubal, who, besides other cities, had founded Carthago Nova (Carthagera), which he had destined to be the seat of Carthaginian government in Spain, fell by the hand of an assassin in the year 221, and was succeeded in the command by Hannibal, the son of Hamilcar, then in his twenty-sixth year; whose appointment was sanctioned both by the senate (where the party of Barcas was predominant) and the people. The capture of Saguntum by Hannibal occasioned the

178 SECOND WAR WITH ROME, 218—201. See § 122. The tyrannical authority of the 100 (104?) (an order of judges, according to Livy) was restricted by the new dictator to one year, and several improvements were adopted in the administration of the finances. He also, in conjunction with Antiochus the Great, king of Syria, formed a plan for commencing a fresh war with Rome; but his project being

betrayed by his opponents, Hannibal fled for safety to the (178) court of Antiochus, and subsequently to Prusias of Bithy-<sup>A</sup> nia, where he withdrew himself from the persecutions of the Romans by taking poison. Masinissa, king of Numidia, and an ally of the Romans, deprived the Carthaginians (who by the terms of the last peace were not permitted to undertake any war without the consent of the Romans) of two of their provinces (Emporia and Tyska), and, at the same time, secured a party at Carthage by means of bribery. This party being expelled from the city, a war broke out, and Masinissa, after defeating the Carthaginian army, shut them up in their own camp, and compelled them to surrender. This war having been un-<sup>B</sup> dertaken without the permission of the Romans, afforded them a welcome pretext for the renewal of hostilities.

### THIRD WAR WITH ROME (150—146), AND RUIN OF 179 CARTHAGE.

A colony of Roman settlers having been established in Africa twenty-four years after the destruction of Carthage, a new city was founded by Augustus (on the southern extremity of the peninsula), which rose into considerable importance as a Roman colony, and at a later period became the capital of the kingdom of the Vandals. Afterwards it was the residence of a Byzantine governor, and in the year 706 was destroyed by the Arabs. Modern Tunis was built from its ruins.

### § 41. *Religion, &c. of the Carthaginians.*

1. The RELIGION of the Carthaginians was, generally 180 speaking, the same as that of their mother country, Tyre<sup>C</sup> —adoration of the heavenly bodies, in conjunction with a dark and blood-thirsty superstition.

The chief divinities of the Carthaginians (as of the Phœnicians) were—1. Baal (sometimes a general term for God, Lord, &c., sometimes signifying the sun), who, as the guardian and patron of the nation, was addressed by the distinctive title of (2) Melkarth, or Melkar. His peculiar residence being supposed to be at Tyre, embassies were sent yearly to that city with offerings of tithes and first-fruits from Carthage, and all the other provinces. 3. In con-<sup>D</sup> junction with Baal, they worshipped a female deity named Astarte [Ashtaroth], probably the moon. Both of these divinities were beneficent, and opposed to (4) the malignant Moloch; who could only be propitiated in seasons of calamity by human sacrifices, especially of children. Another beneficent deity was (5) Esmûn, the Asclepius or Æsculapius of the Greeks and Romans. In addition to these gods of the mother country, the Carthaginians, at a later period,

(180) adopted in some instances the worship of foreign nations; for example, that of the Sicilian goddesses, Ceres and Proserpine. The adoration of Dido, and of the brothers Phileni, was peculiar to Carthage. The Carthaginians, like the Phœnicians, had no hereditary priesthood.

181 2. CONSTITUTION.—The government was in the hands of two *suffetes*, or kings, chosen by the people from the principal families, and holding their office probably for life, and of the *senate*, which was composed of representatives from all the guilds of the citizens, and divided into the greater (*γερονσία*) and lesser council (*ἡ σύγκλητος*), both of which are often comprehended under the common term of *συνέδριον*. In this assembly the kings presided, and proposed the questions for discussion. In the event of a difference of opinion between the kings and the senate, the decision was referred to an assembly of the people. As a general rule, the kings possessed the supreme, civil, but not the military authority. Apprehensions being entertained that individual families—the warlike race of Mago, for instance—might become too powerful, a second power was created, by the selection from the council of a body termed the college of 100, who were invested with the right of calling the commanders and other public officers to account. They were also required to take measures for upholding the existing constitution, and probably acted as judges in cases of high treason. This college must be distinguished from the court of 104, appointed for the decision of civil causes. The inhabitants of the Carthaginian dominions were mere vassals, without any of the rights of citizens in the capital. Their magistrates were partly chosen by themselves, partly sent from Carthage. The colonies of Phœnician origin, however, seem to have been allies rather than subjects of Carthage.

182 *Sources of revenue*.—1. The tributes of the African and foreign provinces, partly in specie (from the commercial cities), partly in produce (from the low countries); 2. Duties levied in the ports of the capital and the colonies; 3. The profits of the mines, especially in Spain; 4. Piracy.

183 *Warlike resources*.—Their *naval force*, before their wars with the Romans, consisted generally of 150—200 triremes. In the sea-fight with Regulus 350 quinqueremes were engaged, each manned with 120 armed marines and 3000 slaves to work the oars. 2. The *land force* consisted, for the most part, of mercenary troops, composed of

soldiers from different countries of the west. The Carthaginians themselves formed what was termed the sacred band. The van consisted of Balearic slingers, and the centre of the African vassals; the chief strength of that division being the light Numidian cavalry. They had also elephants. (183)<sup>A</sup>

3. In Carthaginian LITERATURE we hear of historical works, and a long treatise on agriculture (in twenty-eight books), by Mago, which was translated into Latin by command of the Roman senate. Fragments of this work are still extant. The Romans, when they stormed Carthage, found several libraries, which they presented to the Numidian kings. Architecture, mechanics, hydraulics, &c., attained a high state of perfection at Carthage. 184

The LANGUAGE of the Carthaginians (the Punic, of which we find remains in the *Pœnulus* of Plautus) was a dialect of the Phœnician. B

#### 4. TRADE.

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a. *Commerce by sea.*—The Carthaginians, in their anxiety to monopolize the commerce of the west, opened only the ports of their capital to the vessels of foreign nations, excluding them as much as possible from those of their colonies, in order to avoid a competition which they considered prejudicial to their interests. The intercourse with foreign countries was facilitated by friendly connexions between individuals belonging to different countries, and by leagues with the states themselves. Their navigation extended to almost all the coasts and islands of the Mediterranean, especially on the western side; to Sicily, southern Italy, Malta (a principal emporium of Carthaginian manufactures, chiefly stuffs), Corsica, Æthalia or Elba, the Balearic islands (*Majorca* and *Minorca*), and especially Spain; probably also to Gaul. Beyond the pillars of Hercules, they shared with the Phœnicians the trade carried on between Gades and the tin<sup>1</sup> and amber islands; and on the western coast of Africa their traffic not c

<sup>1</sup> The tin islands are generally supposed to have been *Britannia* and *Hibernia*. Heeren, however, imagines that they were the *Sorlingin* or *Scilly* islands, on the western coast of England; and *Vogel* (*Encyclop. von Ersch. und Gruber*) states their existence to have been simply an invention of the Phœnicians, devised for the purpose of satisfying inquirers, and withdrawing their attention from the real tin countries, *Hispania* and *Britannia*.

A only extended to their colonies, but was carried on secretly on the rich gold coast of Guinea.

- 186 CHIEF ARTICLES OF COMMERCE.—a. *Exports*—Black slaves, precious stones, gold, manufactured goods. b. *Imports*—Oil and wine from India, honey and wax from Corsica, iron from Elba, fruit and mules from the Balearic islands, metals from Spain.

b. INTERNAL TRAFFIC, by means of caravans of the Nomadic tribes, between the two Syrtes, from the district of Emporia, *eastwards*, to Ammonium and Egypt (compare § 34. 3. d), and southwards to the country of the Garamantes (now Fezzan); and still further into the interior of Africa; whence they brought black slaves, salt from the salt lakes, pits, and mines in the desert, dates from Biledulgerid, gold, and precious stones.

### THIRD DIVISION.

#### EUROPE.

##### PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

- 187 Of all the quarters of the globe, Europe, although the smallest, is unquestionably the most powerful, civilized, populous in proportion to its extent, and remote from extremes of every description. Its position, for the most part in the temperate zone, renders it inferior to Asia and America as regards the number, variety, and beauty of its productions, but the happy union of a continental and maritime climate, and the consequent facilities afforded to agriculture in almost every part, dispose the inhabitants to habits of regular industry, without encouraging them to lead what, in strictness of speech, may be termed a c Nomadic life. Commercial intercourse is also greatly facilitated by the extent of coast, the islands lying within an easy distance of the continent, the numerous inland seas, and the equal distribution of navigable rivers. In addition to these advantages, it excels all the other quarters of the globe in the productions of the intellect; for it cannot be denied, that if the seeds of political knowledge, the sciences, manufactures, and trade were to a great extent first sown in the east, they attained their full per-

fection on European soil, at first in the south, and subsequently in the north. Through this intellectual excellence, added to their immense superiority in the art of war, the Europeans have been enabled not merely to bid defiance to foreign invaders, but to extend their dominion, and the civilization which has always followed in its train, to all the other quarters of the globe, by means of their discoveries, conquests, colonies, and commerce.

The great chain of the Alps, which is united by its western and eastern branches with the Pyrenees and the Hæmus, divides our quarter of the world into two unequal parts, each distinguished from the other by the difference of productions indigenous to a northern or southern climate, as well as by a variety in the character and appearance of the inhabitants. These mountains also in ancient times formed a barrier between the civilized and uncivilized world. There exists another distinction between eastern and western Europe, the former being remarkable for its monotonous character and the extent of its plains, the latter for the greater variety and form of its mountain districts.

## A. Geographical View of Europe.

### § 42. *The Boundaries of Europe.*

On the north the Frozen Ocean (*mare congelatum*, 188 *pigrum*, Cronium, &c.), on the west the Atlantic or outer sea, on the south the Mediterranean or inner sea, on the east the Tanāis, the Palus Mæōtis, the Cimmerian Bospōrus, the Pontus Euxīnus, the Thracian Bospōrus, the Propontis, the Hellespont, and the Ægean Sea.

### § 43. *The principal Mountains of Europe.*

1. The Pyrenees (*τὰ Πυρρηναῖα*, *Pyrenæi montes*); 2. 189 The Alps (*αἱ Ἀλπεις*, *Alpes*); 3. The Apennines (*τὰ Δ' Ἀπεννίνα*, *Apenninus*); 4. The Hæmus (*ὁ Αἷμος*) or Balkan; 5. The Carpathian mountains (*ὁ Καρπάτης*); 6. The Ural or Hyperborean mountains; 7. The Kjölen [*Koelen*, or *Fiell*] mountains (*Sevo mons*?). The Her-cynian forest.

### § 44. *The Waters of Europe.*

#### SEAS AND GULFS<sup>1</sup>.

1. The Frozen Ocean. 2. The Atlantic, which at 190

<sup>1</sup> No mention is made here of those waters for which names are not found in *ancient* authors. The titles which often appear in maps have no classical authority, and are generally borrowed from such writers as Cellarius or Cluverus.

(190) once divides and connects the two most civilized quarters  
 A of the globe; with its several divisions, viz.—

a. *Not surrounded by land*: 1. The Cantabrian or Aquitanian Sea (now bay of Biscay); 2. The Britannic Sea (la Manche, or Straits of Calais); 3. The Caledonian Sea (now also Minsh); 4. The German Ocean (Γερμανικὸς Ὠκεανός) or North sea.

b. *Inland seas*: 1. The Suevian or Sarmatian sea<sup>1</sup> (now the Eastern Ocean); 2. The Mediterranean or Inner Sea, which at the same time separates and unites the three continents of the old world, is divided into a western basin,  
 B and an eastern almost double the size of the other. The first of these comprehends the Ligurian gulf (Gulf of Genoa), and the Tuscan or Tyrrhenian sea (between Italy and its three great islands), the *other* comprises the Adriatic Sea with the Tergestine bay (bay of Trieste), the Ionian Sea with the Tarentine and Corinthian gulfs (gulf of Lepanto), and the Ægean Sea (now Archipelago), with the Thermaic gulf (gulf of Salonichi); 3. The Propontis (sea of Marmora); 4. The Pontus Euxīnus (Black Sea), entirely without islands; 5. The Mæōtis (sea of Azov).

#### 191 STRAITS.

c 1. Fretum Gaditanum or Herculeum (straits of Gibraltar); 2. Fretum Siculum (Faro di Messina); 3. Hellespontus (straits of Dardanelles); 4. Thracian Bospōrus (straits of Constantinople); 5. Cimmerian Bospōrus (straits of Kaffa or Jenikale).

#### 192 LAKES.

d 1. In Greece, the Copais; 2. In Upper Italy, Lacus Verbānus (Lago Maggiore), Lacus Larius (Lago di Como). L. Benācus (Lago di Garda); 3. In the country of the Helvetii; L. Brigantinus (Boden-See, or Lake of Constance), L. Lemānus (Lake of Geneva).

#### 193 RIVERS.

a. Flowing into the *Atlantic*—1. The Bætis (Gualquivir); 2. The Anas (Guadiana); 3. Tagus (Tago); 4. Durius (Duero); 5. Garumna (Garonne); 6. The Liger (Loire); 7. The Sequāna (Seine).

<sup>1</sup> The Eastern Ocean was considered by the ancients, not as a Mediterranean, but as a portion of the Oceanus Septentrionalis; Tacitus, Germ. c. 40. 43 and 44, names it the Ocean. The term "Suevicum mare" indicates the southern portion of the eastern sea.



*b.* Into the *German ocean*—1. The Tamēsis (Thames); (193) 2. Scaldis (Scheldt); 3. Rhenus (Rhine); 4. Visurgis <sup>a</sup> (Weser); 5. Albis (Elbe).

Tributaries of the Rhine—On the right hand the Nicer (Neckar), Mœnus (Main), and the Lupia or Luppia (Lippe); left, the Mosella (Moselle), and the Mosa (Maas or Meuse).

*c.* Into the *Suevian sea*—1. The Viādus <sup>1</sup> (Oder); 2. The Vistūla.

*d.* The *Mediterranean sea* receives but few great rivers <sup>b</sup>—1. The Ibērus (Ebro); 2. Rhodānus (Rhone), with the Arar (Saone); 3. The Arnus (Arno); 4. Tibēris (Tiber); 5. Through the *Adriatic sea*, the Athēsis (Adige) and Padus (Po).

*e.* The *Pontus Euxinus* receives within its narrow limits four of the greatest European streams—1. The Ister, the upper part of which was called Danubius (the Danube); 2. The Tyras (Dniester); 3. The Borysthēnes (Dnieper); 4. (Through the Mæotis) the Tanāis (Don).

Tributaries of the Ister—*a.* On the *right* the Isarsa (Isar), Ænns <sup>c</sup> (Inn), Arābo (Raab), Dravus (Drau), Savus (San); *b.* *left*, Cusus (Waag), Tibiscus (Theiss), Hierāsus (Pruth).

*f.* Into the *Caspian sea*—The Rha (Volga), the most considerable river of Europe.

### § 45. *The Countries of Europe.*

**A. ON THE CONTINENT PROPER**—1. Gallia; 2. Germania; 3. The southern Danube countries (Vindelicia, Rhætia, Noricum, and Pannonia); 4. Dacia; 5. European Sarmatia.

**B. THE PENINSULAS** (or limbs of Europe)—1. The *four southern*: Hispania, Italia, the Greek peninsula (Illyria, Mœsia, Macedonia, Thrace, and Greece), and the Tauric Chersonesus (now Krim [*Crimea*]), the first being the entrance from Europe into Africa, the third into Asia. 2. The *two northern*: the Cimbrian peninsula (Jutland) and Scandinavia (also Baltia, now Sweden and Norway, the last of which was also called Nerigos).

<sup>1</sup> The *Ὀβιάδος*, mentioned by Ptolemy, for which the name of Viadrus has been unmeaningly substituted by modern geographers, is generally taken for the Oder. Other writers, however, (Reichard, Giesebrecht, and von Spruner), take the *Σούβος* (Suevus) for the Oder, and the Viadrus for the Whipper.

## 195 THE ISLANDS.

A 1. *In the Atlantic*—Britannia or Albion, Hibernia or Ierne (Ireland), the Hebūdes or Ebudes (Hebrides), the Orcādes (Orkney islands), Thule (Iceland?).

2. *In the Suevian sea*, the island of the goddess Hertha (Rügen?).

B 3. *In the Mediterranean*—The Pityusæ (among these was Ebūsus or Ebūsus, *hod.* Ivica) and the Baleāres (also called *Γυμνήσιαι*), of which the largest are the Balearis major and minor (now Majorca and Minorca), Sardo or Sardinia, Cynos or Corsica, Æthalia or Ilva (now Elba), Trinacria or Sicilia, Melite (now Malta).

4. *In the Ionian sea*—Corcȳra or Kerkyra (Corfu), Leucadia (now S. Maura), Ithaca (Theaki), Cephalenia (Cephalonia), Zakynthus (now Zante), Cythēra (now Cerigo).

C 5. *In the Ægean sea*—Creta (now Candia), the Cyclades, Eubœa (now Negropont).

## B. INDIVIDUAL STATES OF EUROPE.

## I. The Greeks.

*Sources of Information.*

196 Their historical writers, strictly so called, were preceded by : *a.* the CYCLIC POETS, who used to repeat in a continuous form the various legendary ballads (*κύκλους*), and the *Logographi*, who first related the legends in prose (*λόγους*). Such were Hecateus, Charon, Hellanicus, and others, of whose works only detached fragments have reached us.

## THE HISTORIANS.

197 1. HERODOTUS (*pater historiæ*), born at Halicarnassus, B.C. 484. He wrote, after his great journey (through Greece, Macedonia, Thrace, Asia, Egypt, and Libya), a history of the Persian wars to the retreat of the Persians from Europe—with episodes concerning the early history of that people, and the nations who came into contact with them, in nine books (*ιστοριῶν*), which he revised and completed at Thurii. He is said to have read his work in public at the Olympic games (!). 2. THUCYDIDES, born at Athens, B.C. 474, a commander in the Peloponnesian war—superseded in his command. In his place of banishment on the Thracian Chersonesus, he collected materials for his history (*ἔνγγραφή* in eight books) of the Peloponnesian war, reaching to the year 411. 3. XENOPHON, born at Athens in 443 (!), a disciple of Socrates, banished from Athens for Laconism; he wrote, *a.* *Ἑλληνικά* (seven books), a continuation of the history of Thucydides to the battle of Mantinea; *b.* *Ἀνάβασις* (seven

books); *c.* *Κύρου παιδεία* (eight books); *d.* *λόγος εἰς Ἀγησίλαον*. (197)  
 4. POLYBIUS of Megalopolis (205—131), author of a practical universal history (*ιστοριῶν* 40 B.), from the commencement of the second Punic war to the conquest of Macedonia by the Romans. 5. DIODORUS SICULUS, in the reign of Augustus, wrote a *βιβλιοθήκη ιστορικὴ* (in forty books). 6. PLUTARCH (born A.D. 50 at Chaeronea): he wrote forty-four *βιοὶ παραλληλοί*, and five separate biographies.

## GEOGRAPHERS.

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The chronicle of the Parian marbles is a tablet, discovered in the island of Paros, and now preserved at Oxford, containing a chronological list of the principal events in the history of Greece, and particularly of Athens.

Of Latin historians, who have written upon Grecian history, we have Cornelius Nepos [or the lives that go under his name] and Justin. Besides the historians, we have, for the first mythical period, the library of Apollodorus, for the third the orations of Isocrates, Æschines, and Demosthenes, and for constitutional history, the politics of Aristotle.

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## A. GEOGRAPHY OF GREECE.

### § 46. *The name of Greece.*

- 200 In the most remote times there was no general name for  
<sup>B</sup> the whole of Greece, any more than for Italy and Asia Minor. The name of *Hellas* had various significations at different periods. Originally it indicated merely the city of Hellas in Thessaly; at a later period, the term comprehended the greater part of Thessaly, and afterwards it was applied to the whole of midland Greece, which was called Hellas proper in contradistinction to Peloponnesus.  
<sup>C</sup> After the Persian war Peloponnesus itself was also included, and at length (after the Macedonian war) the term was understood as designating every country inhabited by Hellenes.

THE TERM ACHÆAN LAND (Ἀχαιῶν γαῖα in Homer), is applied in strictness of speech only to a small portion of southern Thessaly, where Achæus, the son of Xuthus, reigned; but in a secondary sense it is employed also to indicate the rest of Greece, especially Peloponnesus, of which the descendants of Achæus had made themselves masters.

In like manner ARGOS, originally the name of a town in Argolis, was used for Peloponnesus, and at last for the whole of Greece.

- <sup>D</sup> The term Græcia (Γραικοί) was never employed by the Greeks themselves, but was the only name given by the Romans to the whole of the country. Originally it was limited to the district of Dodōna in Epīrus.

As a Roman province, Greece (with the exception of Thessaly, Epirus, and Acarnania), was distinguished by the name of Achaia.

### § 47. *The Boundaries of Greece.*

- 201 On the north the Macedonian (or Cambunian) and Ceraunian mountains; east, the Ægean and Myrtoan seas; west and south, the Adriatic and Ionian seas.

No country of Europe presents, in proportion to its size, such an A extent of coast, or such facilities of approach.

§ 48. *The Mountains of Greece.*

A. 1. In NORTHERN GREECE, the Pindus (a continua- 202 tion of the Scardus, from 7000 to 8000 feet in height) forms B the line of separation from which the rivers flow in different directions either into the Ionian or Ægean sea. Its branches are: *a. westwards*, the *Ceraunian* chain, the northern boundary of the half Grecian tribes in Epirus; the steep promontory in which it terminates (called *Acroceraunia*), marks the division of the Ionian sea from the Adriatic. *b. Eastwards*: 2. *Chains at right angles with the Ceraunia*: 1. The CAMBUNIAN in the north (6000 feet), the continuation of which, Mount OLYMPUS [now *Elymbo*<sup>1</sup>] (6000 feet), was supposed to be the habitation of the gods; 2. The Othrys in the south, forming with Pelion [*Plesnia*] and the round-headed Ossa [*Kissovo*] (5000 feet), the eastern frontier of Thessaly. The last c of these is separated from the southern slope of Olympus only by the narrow pass of Tempe. Thessaly, therefore, is a basin surrounded on all sides by mountains, the waters of which are conveyed by the river Peneus through the narrow channel of Tempe into the sea.

B. In CENTRAL GREECE: *a.* in the north, continuations 203 of the Pindus, such as the Cæta [*Catavothra*, &c.] (4000 feet), with the famous straits of THERMOPYLÆ, once a very narrow pass along the shore; *b.* in the south, detached groups of mountains and hills, for the most part barren and D inhospitable; *e. g.* PARNASSUS [*Lyakoura*] (7500 feet), with its three abrupt peaks, HELICON [*Zagora*, or *Paleo Vouni*] (5300 feet), covered with forests, the rugged CITHÆRON [*Elatea*] (3900 feet), the Hymettus [*Trello-vouno*] (2700 feet), the PENTELICUS [*Pentele*], &c.

C. The PELOPONNESUS forms a table-land (2000 feet 204 above the level of the sea) the flattest part of which (Arcadia) is by no means level, but broken into isolated groups of mountains (some of them 6000 feet above the sea), and surrounded on all sides by still loftier chains, the branches of which form the four isthmuses of the peninsula.

<sup>1</sup> [Arrowsmith gives: *Olympus*, 6250 feet; *Ossa*, 4000; *Pelion*, 4000; *Pindus*, 8500; *Taygetus*, 8000.]

(204) The most steep and lofty is the northern border (Achaia), which reaches its greatest height (7200 feet) in the mountain of CYLLENE, the continuations of which stretch west towards Elis, and south-east into Argolis. The eastern (Parthenius) sends out a spur as far as the promontory of Malea, the south-eastern extremity of Laconia, whilst the more broken western ridge (Erymanthus) slopes very gradually down to the level coast, its southern continuation intersecting the isthmus of Messenia. The southern is connected with the Taygetus, the highest ridge (7400 feet) in Peloponnesus. It traverses the western isthmus of Laconia to the promontory of Tænarum (Cape Matapan).

**B PROMONTORIES:** Actium on the Ambracian gulf (battle 31). Rhion and Antirrhion [or, Rhium and Anti-Rhium] opposite each other on the Corinthian gulf. Malëa [also, Malëa] and Tænarum, the extreme points of Laconia. Sūnium, the southernmost point of Attica. Artemisium, the northern point of the island of Eubœa (battle 480).

### § 49. *The Waters of Greece.*

**205 SEAS.**—The *Ægean* sea; 2. The *Myrtoan* sea, between the eastern coast of Peloponnesus and the islands; 3. The *Ionian* sea. The currents of the two last meet at the promontory of Malëa, which on that account was notorious for shipwrecks.

**GULFS.**—1. The Thermaic (hod. gulf of Salonica); 2. The Pagasæan and Malian bays; 3. The Saronic gulf (now the gulf of Egina); 4. The Argolic (gulf of Napoli); 5. The Laconic (gulf of Kolokythia); 6. The Messenian (also the Coronæan, now gulf of Koron); 7. The Corinthian (now gulf of Lepanto), with the Crisæan bay; 8. The Ambracian (gulf of Arta).

**D STRAIT.**—The Euripus, between Eubœa and Bœotia.

**LAKES.**—1. Acherusia, in Epirus; 2. The Copais, which communicates with the Eubœan sea by long subterraneous channels.

The **RIVERS**, as in every mountainous country, are numerous; but on account of the close vicinity of the sea on all sides, and the consequent narrowness of the continent, they are very insignificant, and so ill-supplied with water, as to be for the most part dry in summer. 1. Penëus [*Salembria*], flowing into the Thermaic gulf; 2. Achelous (now Aspro-potamo), between Acarnania and Ætolia, flowing into the Ionian sea; 3. Cephissus, into

the lake Copais; 4. Alphēus [*Rouphia*], into the Ionian (205) sea; 5. Eurōtas [*Iris. Basilopotamo*] into the Laconic gulf. A

### § 50. *Climate and Products of Greece.*

In no country, perhaps, is the contrast of climate so 206 great as in Greece. The temperature varies with the difference of soil; so that whilst Laconia is enjoying spring, and Messenia summer, the winter has scarcely ended in Arcadia. The months from May to September, inclusive, are extraordinarily dry, scarcely any rain falling except in winter, when it descends in torrents, generally on the lands of moderate elevation, in the form of squalls, with thunder and lightning. The highest peaks of the mountains are covered with almost perpetual snow.

#### PRODUCTS.

1. *Mineral kingdom*.—The precious metals were, for the most part, B rare. There were gold mines on Thasos (and Siphnos), silver mines in the mountains of Laurium [*Λαύριον* or *Λαύρειον*] in Attica, copper and iron near Chalcis in Eubœa, marble in Pentelicus and Paros.

2. *Vegetable kingdom*.—The most productive grain was barley (of which they made *ἀλφίτα*). Among the varieties of trees were the silver poplar, the Greek cedar, the evergreen cypress, and the majestic plane. Besides an abundance of fruit of other sorts, they had grapes, figs, and olives, the last especially in Attica.

3. *Animal kingdom*.—Bullocks, sheep, goats, hogs, and mules. C The rearing of horses was rendered very difficult by the mountainous character of the country. Pigeons on Cythëra, owls at Athens, bees, especially on Mount Hymettus, fish, dolphins. The country was grievously plagued by locusts.

### § 51. *Divisions of Greece.*

A. NORTHERN GREECE contains—1. Thessaly; 2. 207 Epirus.

B. CENTRAL GREECE, or Greece Proper, is divided into—1. Acarnania; 2. Ætolia; 3. Doris; 4. Locris; 5. Phocis; 6. Bœotia; 7. Attica; 8. Megaris.

C. SOUTHERN GREECE, or Peloponnesus (formerly Ἀπία, now the Morea), comprises—1. Corinthia; 2. Sicyonia; 3. Phliasia; 4. Achaia; 5. Elis; 6. Messenia; 7. Laconia; 8. Argôlis; 9. Arcadia.

D. THE ISLANDS.

### § 52. *Topography of Greece.*

#### A. NORTHERN GREECE.

1. THESSALY (named also Hellas, compare 200), the 208 largest district of Greece, and the cradle of all the Grecian

(208) tribes, consists principally of two cauldron-shaped basins, the greater of which (according to Herodotus, vii. 129), in early ages was a lake, until Ossa was separated from Olympus by an earthquake, and an outlet made for the river Peneus through the narrow valley of Tempe. High mountains (see 202, c.) enclose a plain, well adapted for agriculture and the rearing of cattle; the only outlet for the waters being, as we have mentioned, the narrow fissure called the valley of Tempe (described by Ovid. Met. i. 569).

B This district was divided by the ancient geographers into four circles (Tetrades or Tetrarchies): Hestiaeotis in the north (the Peneus forms, generally speaking, its southern boundary); Phthiotis in the south; Thessaliotis between the two first-mentioned; Pelasgiotis in the east, between Ossa and Pelion.

209 CITIES.—1. Phthia, the ancient capital, the birth-place of Achilles. It disappeared at an early period. 2. Lamia (the Lamian war, 323). 3. Pharsālus (battle in 48); in the vicinity was the hill of Cynoscephāle (battle in 197). 4. Phæræ (the tyrants). 5. Larissa on the Peneus.

C The district of MAGNESIA on the sea-coast, with Iolchos (the rendezvous of the Argonauts), in all probability did not belong to any of the tetrarchies of Thessaly, not having been subject to the Thessalians when that division was made.

2. EPIRUS (*ἡπειρος* = the continent), in the Odyssey, means that part of the continent which lies immediately opposite to Ithaca; nor was it until a later period that the name was used to distinguish the country bounded by the Acroceraunian mountains, Pindus, the Ambracian gulf, and the Ionian sea. On account of its volcanic soil, this district was supposed to communicate with the infernal regions; the river Achéron [*Mauro*, or *Souli*], which flows through the lake Acherusia, and, after receiving the Cocytus [*Bassa*], empties itself into the Ionian sea, being placed in the lower world by the poets.

Epirus was inhabited by fourteen distinct Pelasgic tribes, ranked as *Greeks* by Herodotus, but called barbarians by Thucydides and every other writer. The most considerable of these tribes were the Chaonians, Thesprotians, and Molossians; after whom the country was divided into three parts—Chaonia, Thesprotia, and Molossia.

*Cities*.—1. Ambracia (now Arta), the residence of Pyrrhus; 2. Dodōna, with the most ancient Grecian oracle (of Zeus).



B. CENTRAL GREECE, OR HELLAS, IN ITS MORE  
RESTRICTED SENSE.

1. ACARNANIA; bounded by the Ambracian gulf, the 210 Achelōus, the Corinthian gulf, and the Ionian sea. *Cities.* A  
—1. Stratus, the largest city of the district; 2. Actium, founded by Augustus on the promontory of the same name, where there formerly was only a port with a temple (of Apollo).

2. ÆTOLIA. *Boundaries.*—On the north, Thessaly and 211 Epirus; east, Locris and Doris; south, the Corinthian gulf; west, the Achelous. Capital city, Thermon (also Thermus), seat of the Ætolian league (Panætolium).

3. DORIS.—This rugged little state contained four cities, 212 named the Dorian Tetropolis. B

4. LOCRIS—was divided into two districts, inhabited by 213 three tribes:—

a. That on the Corinthian gulf, which was surrounded by Phocis, Doris, and Ætolia, was inhabited by the Ozolian Locrians, a savage predatory tribe. *Cities.*—1. Amphissa (destroyed in 339). 2. Naupactus (now Lepanto); place of embarkation of the Dorians when they passed over into Peloponnesus—given by the Athenians to the Messenians, who were again expelled after the Peloponnesian war.

b. The rest of the district on the Eubœan sea and the Malian gulf was inhabited by the Opuntian Locrians, with their capital Opus; and northwards from these, as far as Thermopylæ, were the Epicnemidian Locrians, so named from the mountain Cnemis, at the foot of which stood the city of Cnemides.

5. PHOCIS. *Cities.*—1. Delphi (in Homer Pytho), on 214 the south-western declivity of Parnassus, between its two principal peaks. Here was the “infallible” oracle of Apollo Pythius, so renowned even among foreign nations. Its responses were delivered by the Pythia, seated on a D golden tripod, placed in the temple over the prophetic cavern. In the court which surrounded the temple were votive offerings of various nations. Individual cities had also each their own treasury. The reputation of the oracle was further increased by the choice of Delphi as the place of meeting for the Amphictyonic council, and the celebra-

- (214) tion of the Pythian games. 2. Crisa (also Crissa), or  
 A perhaps (Cirrha?), was destroyed in the time of Solon, and  
 its territory assigned to the Delphic god. 3. Elatēa, in  
 the valley of the Ceph̄sus, the key of Phocis and Bœotia.
- 215 6. BŒOTIA. This fertile basin is formed by the moun-  
 tains of Parnassus, the Helicon (the seat of the Muses),  
 with its numerous springs; the savage Cithæron, and the  
 rugged rocky chain of Parnes; and comprehends within  
 itself several plains of greater or smaller dimensions,—a  
 circumstance which rendered Bœotia the battle-field of  
 B Hellas, as Arcadia was that of the Peloponnesus. The  
 more considerable of the Bœotian cities formed a confe-  
 deracy under the Hegemony of Thebes. *Cities*.—1.  
 Thebæ: also Thebe (ἑπτάπυλος); the acropolis of which  
 was founded by the Phœnicians under Cadmus, and thence  
 called Cadmea. According to the legend, the walls of the  
 lower city were raised by the notes of Amphion's lyre. It  
 was destroyed by Alexander the Great (335), and restored  
 by Cassander. 2. Orchomēnus, formed with its dis-  
 trict, which in the earliest times comprehended the whole of  
 western Bœotia, a distinct country, not attached to Bœotia  
 c until after the Trojan war. Its inhabitants were called  
 Minyæ or Minyans (also Phlegyans). Victory of Sulla in 86.  
 3. Plataea, or Plataeæ (on the northern declivity of Cithæ-  
 ron), which separated itself from the Bœotian confederacy  
 (battle in 479). 4. Thespiæ, at the foot of Helicon (obsti-  
 nate courage of the Thespians in the battle of Thermopylæ).  
 Between Thespiæ and Plataeæ lay probably the hamlet of  
 Leuctra (battle in 371). 5. Tanāgra (battle in 457); in  
 the district belonging to which were Aulis (rendezvous of  
 the Grecian fleet for the Trojan war), Delium (battle in  
 D 394), and Œnophyta (battle in 456). 6. Haliartus, on  
 the lake Copais (battle in 394). 7. Coronēa (battle in  
 394). 8. Chæronēa, a frontier fortress on the side of  
 Phocis (battles in 338 and 86).
- 216 7. ATTICA (Ἀττική). *Boundaries*.—On the north,  
 Bœotia; west, Megāris; south, the Saronic gulf; east,  
 the Ægean sea. *Division* into four, from the time of  
 Cleisthenes ten, and at a still later period twelve Phylæ;  
 which were subdivided into demi, the number of which  
 amounted at one time to 174. *Cities*.—1. Athens (Ἀθῆναι),  
 consisted of two principal parts, viz., the city, and its three

ports, Phalēron [*or* Phalērum], Munychia, and Piræus [in (216) Greek, Πειραιεύς], which were united to the city by two long <sup>A</sup> walls (τὰ σκέλη). After its demolition by the Persians, Themistocles rebuilt Athens in a more magnificent style, surrounded it with walls, and joined it to the Piræus.

The city, which stood in the plain Cecropia, on the banks of the <sup>217</sup> river Ilissus, consisted of—*a.* the *Acropolis* (called also Cecropia), on a steep rock, crowned with the Parthēnon, or temple of Minerva, built entirely of white Pentelic marble (by Ictīnus and Callicrates), and approached by a portico termed the Propylæa (erected by Mnesicles). In this temple stood a statue of Pallas Athēnē (by Phidias), thirty-seven feet in height, and carved in gold and ivory. On the frieze was a model in relievo of the Panathenaic procession, <sup>B</sup> and in the tympanum the victory of Athene over Poseidōn, exquisitely represented in a group of colossal statues. On the side of the Propylæa stood a bronze statue, seventy feet high, of Athene Promāchus, east by Phidias. *b.* *The lower town.*—In the western quarter of the city, on an elevation, was the Pnyx, where the assemblies of the people were held; and on another eminence, the Areopagus, from which there was a thoroughfare through the street of Hermes, by the Poikile [*or*, Pæcile] (adorned with frescos of the battle of Marathon by Polygnōtus) to the new Agora; and thence along the Tripod street, by the Pyrtaneum (where ambassadors and meritorious citizens were entertained at the public cost), to the great theatre of Dionysos [Bacchus]. In the south-eastern quarter of the city, after- <sup>C</sup> wards called Hadrian's town, stood the Olympieion, or temple of Zeus, with a colossal statue of the god, in gold and ivory. *Without the city* were three Gymnasia, viz.—*a.* the Academy [Academia], where Plato taught; *b.* the Cynosarges; *c.* the Lyceum, where Aristotle used to walk with his disciples (hence the term Peripatetics). On the other side of the Ilissus was the stadium (of Herodes Atticus) for public games.

2. Eleusis, with its temple and mysteries of Demētēr [*Ceres*]. 3. Sūnium; a fortress on the promontory of the same name, with the temple of Athene Sunias, of which the <sup>D</sup> ruins are still visible. 4. Marāthon, on the plain of the same name, with monuments (still in existence), erected in commemoration of the battle in 490. 5. Phyle, where Thrasybūlus assembled the opponents of the thirty tyrants. 6. Decelēa, fortified by the Spartans in the Peloponnesian war.

8. MEGĀRIS. *Boundaries.*—On the north, Bœotia; <sup>218</sup> east, Attica, and the Saronic gulf; south, the isthmus of Corinth; west, the Corinthian gulf. In the *city* of Megāra (τὰ Μ.), which at an earlier period belonged to Attica, the Dorians, on their return from the war against Codrus, founded a colony.

## C. THE PELOPONNESUS.

- 219 1. CORINTHIA, with the city of CORINTH (formerly  
 A Ephŷra), at the foot of a steep mountain, on which stood  
 the Acro-Corinthus, the strongest fortress in Greece, and  
 key of the Peloponnesus. The situation of Corinth ren-  
 dered it the emporium of the maritime traffic, not only  
 between northern and southern Greece, but between Italy  
 and Asia, as well as the chief seat of manufacturing in-  
 dustry and the arts (the Corinthian order of architecture,  
 vases, Corinthian brass). The successful cultivation of  
 these various branches of commerce rendered it the most  
 populous (300,000 inhabitants) and wealthy, but at the  
 B same time the most dissolute, of all the Grecian cities. It  
 was demolished (with the exception of the citadel) by  
 Mummius in 146, and rebuilt by Cæsar. On the isthmus  
 stood a temple, a stadium, and a theatre of Poseidôn  
 [*Neptune*], where the Isthmian games were celebrated.
- 220 2. SICYONIA, with the city of Sicyon (also Ægialia),  
 near the coast of the Corinthian gulf, was also famous for  
 Grecian manufactures and works in metal, as well as for  
 painting and sculpture.
- 221 3. PHLIASIA. The city of Phlius, with its little ter-  
 ritory, formed an independent state.
- 222 4. ACHAIA (also Achaïa, formerly Ægialos), extended  
 from Sicyonia along the northern coast of Peloponnesus.  
 Here, as in all the settlements of the Ionians, we find a  
 confederacy (of twelve hamlets), with a democratic con-  
 stitution. *Cities*.—1. Helice, the ancient capital, en-  
 gulfed in 373 by one of the earthquakes so frequent on  
 this coast. Its territory fell into the hands of the neigh-  
 bouring state. 2. Ægium, the station of the Panegyris.  
 3. Patræ (now Patras), a sea-port.
- 223 5. ELIS (also Eleia), divided by mountains into three  
 D portions, viz.—1. Elis *proper*, or the “hollow,” with the  
 capital Elis, a city without walls, and its port of Cyllene.  
 2. Pisatis, with Olympia. This was not, strictly speaking,  
 a town, but ranked as such on account of the multitude of  
 buildings, groves, altars, and places for public games and  
 combats, belonging to the temple of Zeus Olympius, and  
 occupied at the Olympic games. In a grove of olives  
 (named Altis) stood the temple, with a statue of the god

in a sitting position, carved by Phidias, in gold and ivory, (223) and reaching to the ceiling of the temple. The length of the stadium (one-fortieth of a geographical mile) was the Greek standard measure of distance. 3. Triphylia, with Pylus.

6. MESSENIA (also Messene). *Cities*.—1. Pylus (now 224 Navarino), the residence of Nestor, with a harbour protected by the island of Sphacteria; 2. Ithōme, a fortress on a high hill, at the foot of which Epaminondas built (3) Messene; 4. Ira, defended for eleven years by Aristomēnes.

7. LACONIA (Λακωνική). *Boundaries*, in the more con- 225 fined sense—Messenia, Arcadia, Argolis, the sea. From the second Messenian war to the battle of Leuctra, Messenia was reckoned as belonging to Laconia. *Cities*.—1. Sparta (Σπάρτη), or Lacedæmon; on several eminences on the declivity of Tāygētus and the banks of the Eurōtas; without walls, until it was fortified by the tyrant Nabis. 2. Helos (τὸ Ἑλος), on the low lands at the mouth of the Eurotas. Its inhabitants were reduced to the condition of bondsmen by the Spartans. 3. Sellasia (battle in 222).

8. ARGOLIS (also τὸ Ἀργεὺς and ἡ Ἀργεΐα). *Cities*.— 226 1. Argos (in Latin also Argi), the most ancient city in Peloponnesus, gave its name to the whole district. Its acropolis, named Larissa, was a Pelasgian building, with Cyclopi-  
an walls. 2. Nauplia (near what is now called Napoli di Romania), the sea-port of Argos. 3. Mycēnæ; of which the Cyclopi-  
an walls, the lions'-gate, and what is called the treasury of Atreus, still remain. The residence of Agamemnon. 4. Tiryns, with its Cyclopi-  
an walls, of which remains still exist. 5. Lerne (the Lernæan Hydra); or  
Nemæa, not a city, but merely the name of a valley, and of the temple of Zeus, which stood there. (The Lion, the Nemean games). The three smaller districts of Her-  
mione, Trœzēne, and Epidaurus.

9. ARCADIA, from the most ancient times the pasture 227 country of Nomadic herdsmen, never formed a whole, politically speaking. *Cities*.—1. Mantinēa (battles in 418 and 362). 2. Tegēa; which, with its district (Tegeatis), formed one of the most considerable cantons of Arcadia. 3. Megalopolis, the most modern and largest of the Arcadian cities, founded by the advice of Epaminondas in 371, and peopled by the inhabitants of the (38) circumjacent

- (227) hamlets. It was destroyed by the Spartans under Cleomenes, and only partially rebuilt, with the largest theatre in Greece (native city of Philopœmen and Polybius).

#### D. THE GREEK ISLANDS.

- 228 I. IN THE IONIAN SEA.—1. *Kerkȳra*, or *Corcyra* (now Corfu), in Homer; the *Scheria* inhabited by the Phœnicians. *Capital*.—*Corcyra*, a colony of Corinth, in the time of the Persian war, the most considerable naval power after Athens. 2. *Leucadia* (now S. Maura), so called from its chalky soil, was originally a peninsula, mentioned by Homer as belonging to Epirus. The isthmus was dug through by the Corinthians, and *Leucadia* made into an island. *Capital*.—*Leucas* (in Homer *Nericon*.) 3. The *Cephalenic islands*, or islands belonging to the dominions of *Odysseus* [*Ulysses*], viz.—*a*. *Ithāca* (now *Theaki*), which consists of two rugged mountain masses, united by a narrow isthmus, on which stood the city of *Ithāca*; with an acropolis, containing the palace of *Odysseus* (the ruins of which are still called by the islanders the castle of *St. Penelope*). In front of the isthmus was the port of *Rheithron*. *b*. *Cephalenia*; in Homer *Samos*, or *Same* (now *Cephalonia*), with the city of *Same*. *c*. *Zakynthus* (now *Zante*), with its single city *Zakynthus*. 4. The *Teleboides*, or islands of the *Taphians*, the largest of which, called *Taphos*, lay between *Leucadia* and the continent. 5. *Sphacteria* (or *Sphagia*), opposite *Pylus*. 6. *Cythēra* (now *Cerigo*), at the entrance of the *Laconic gulf*. *City* of the same name, with a temple of *Aphrodite Cytherea*.

#### 229 II. IN THE ÆGEAN SEA.

- D a*. In the western part—*aa*. in the *Saronic gulf*. 1. *Calauria*; temple of *Poseidōn*, with an asylum, where *Demosthenes* died. 2. *Ægina*. The *Æginetan* sculptures (from the temple of *Zeus Panhellenios*), discovered in 1811, now in the *Glyptothek* at *Munich*. 3. *Salamis*, or *Salamin*, taken from the *Megarians* by *Solon* (battle in 480). *bb*. In the *Ægean sea*. *Eubœa* (now *Negroponte*), probably separated from the continent by one of the earthquakes common in those parts, with the promontory of *Artemisium* (so named from a temple of *Artemis*—battle in 480), and the cities of—1. *Chalcis* (now *Negroponte*),

joined to the continent by a bridge over the Euripus—a (229) strong fortress, and place of considerable trade; the A mother-state of Cumæ and Rhegium. 2. Eretria; the inhabitants of which were transplanted into Asia by Datis.

b. In the *northern part*—1. Lemnos. Its most ancient inhabitants, according to Homer, were the Sintians, who practised piracy, and received Hephæstus [*Vulcan*] when he was thrown down out of heaven. 2. Samothrâke, or Samothrace. 3. Thasos, formerly famous for its gold mines.

c. In the *eastern part*—1. Lesbos, celebrated for its B excellent wine. *Cities*.—a. Mitylene (also Mytilene), renowned for the contests of poets; many of whom were natives of the city (Terpander, Arion, Alcæus, Sappho). b. Methymna, which remained faithful to the Athenians (428). 2. The Arginusæ (battle in 406). 3. Chios (now Skio), famous for its wine; *Capital*, Chios—minstrel-school of the Homerides. 4. Samos, with its capital of the same name, the native city of Pythagoras, at the height of its reputation and power under Polycrates (532). 5. Rhodus, renowned for its nautical enterprize and cultivation of the sciences. In the port of the city of Rhodes stood the brazen colossus, seventy yards in height.

d. In the *southern part*—aa. the twelve *Cyclades*; c among which the most important were—1. Delos, in the centre, the birth-place of Apollo and Artemis (on the mountain of Cynthus). Near the temple of Apollo solemn games were celebrated every five years. 2. Naxos, the largest of the islands, sacred to Dionysus—Ariadne. 3. Paros, famous for its white marble—the marble chronicles. bb. Creta (now Candia), in the vicinity of three quarters of the globe, and the centre of a much-frequented sea, with a mountain chain, split into four parts, and intersecting the island. Its highest peak is Mount Ida (7200 feet). The island was inhabited at a very early period (thence D called by Homer *ἐκατόμυλος*), and well cultivated. *Capital city*, Cnossus, the residence of Minos, with its labyrinth, built by Dædalus (probably nothing more than the extensive and partly subterraneous quarries in that part of the island).

## B. HISTORY OF THE GREEKS.

## FIRST (MYTHICAL) PERIOD.

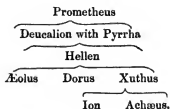
From the earliest Notices to the Migration of the Dorians, B.C. 1104.

§ 53. *The earliest Population of Greece.*

- 230 1. ABORIGINAL INHABITANTS.—The most ancient inhabitants of Greece seem to have been the Pelasgi, one of the most numerous clans of southern Europe, who spread at the same time over Italy, Macedonia, Thrace, and even over a part of Asia Minor.

They had already acquired a certain degree of civilization (for we read of them as the founders of the most ancient Grecian states, Sicyon and Argos), practised agriculture and the rearing of cattle, and founded cities, with strong fortresses (called Larissa), in fertile valleys (named Argos), manured by streams, which at certain seasons overflowed their banks. Some of these cities (as Argos, Mycenæ, Tiryns, Orchomenus, &c.) were surrounded by Cyclopian walls. The Pelasgi had also an oracle of Zeus at Dodona, and sent out colonies to Asia Minor, Crete, and Italy.

- B The appellation of Hellenes was used originally, and even in the days of Homer (Il. ii. 684), to designate the inhabitants of the district of Hellas in Thessaly, or the Myrmidons; the names of Achæi, Argæi [*Ἀργεῖοι*], and Danai, being applied to the people collectively. It was not until after the time of Homer that Hellen<sup>1</sup>, the son of Deucalion, was mentioned (first by Hesiod?) as the founder of the Grecian race, and of its principal tribes—the Æolians, Dorians, Achæans, and Ionians—derived from his sons Æolus and Dorus, and his grandsons Achæus and Ion. Since that period the name has no longer been restricted to the Myrmidons of Achilles, but applied collectively to the whole Greek nation.





2. FOREIGN IMMIGRATIONS, as early as the sixteenth 231 century, B.C., are said to have contributed to the peopling and cultivation of the land.

a. CECROPS is said to have planted an Egyptian colony in Attica, and married the daughter of the king (Astæus), to whose throne he succeeded. He built the Acropolis (Cecropia), established the worship of Zeus and Athēnē, introduced lawful marriages and the interment of the dead, and divided the country into twelve demi.

b. CADMUS, son of Agēnor, king of Sidon, being sent (according to the legend) by his father in search of his sister Europa, who had been carried off by Zeus (a myth expressing the migration of the Phœnicians into Europe), arrived in Bœotia with a band of colonists, laid the foundation of the Cadmēa in Thebes, and taught the natives the Phœnician alphabet, metallurgy, and the worship of Dionysus [*Bacchus*].

c. DANAUS, with his fifty daughters, migrated, it is said, from Chem, in Upper Egypt, to Argos, where he was called to the throne. The introduction of the Thesmophoria, and the worship of Athene and Aphrodite [*Minerva* and *Venus*], are ascribed to this monarch.

The fifty sons of his brother Ægyptus, who followed him, and obtained his daughters in marriage, were all murdered by their wives; with the exception of Lynceus, who was spared by Hypermnestra, and having slain his father-in-law, became king of Argos. The daughters of Danaus were condemned to draw water for ever in the infernal regions.

d. PELOPS, about the year 1320 (his father Tantalus, king of Sipylus, having been expelled by the Troes), came from Phrygia, and made himself master of Pisatis and Arcadia. His sons extended their dominion over the greater part of Peloponnesus.

#### § 54. *Myths concerning the Migrations of the Hellenic Tribes*

(between B.C. 1500 and 1300).

Deucalion, the son of Prometheus, of the race of those 232 Titans who fought against the gods, landed, after the general deluge, on one of the summits of Parnassus, and, with the assistance of his wife Pyrrha, created a new race of men by throwing stones (λαῖς). Hence the word λαῖοι, people.

(232) With these followers he migrated to Phthiotis, where he  
 A was succeeded on the throne by his son Hellen, and he  
 by his eldest son Æölus. From Phthiotis the Æolians  
 spread themselves, under the command of his successors,  
 over Thessaly more especially, and the western portion of  
 central Greece (Ætolia, Acarnania, Phocis, and Locris), as  
 well as over parts of the Peloponnesus (Elis, Corinth,  
 Messenia), and became amalgamated with the aboriginal  
 inhabitants of those countries.

B DORUS expelled the Dryopes of Mount Ceta, and founded  
 the Doric Tetrapolis. Another division of the Dorians  
 migrated to the island of Crete, which received a Doric  
 constitution through their king Minos.

XUTHUS, the youngest son of Hellen, went into Attica,  
 where king Erechtheus gave him his daughter Crēusa, as a  
 reward for military services. By her he had two sons,  
 ION and ACHÆUS. From Ion's four sons the legend de-  
 rives the division of the inhabitants of Attica into four  
 phylæ, according to their mode of life, viz., the Hopletes  
 (warriors), Teleontes, or Geleontes (peasants who paid  
 rent?), Ergadeis (handicraftsmen), and Agikoreis (goat-  
 herds).

C Xanthus, being expelled by the sons of Erechtheus, went to  
 Ægialos, which was named Iona (afterwards Achaia), after his eldest  
 son, who remained behind in that country; whilst the younger,  
 Achæus, proceeded into Thessaly, and took possession of his ancestral  
 kingdom of Phthiotis, whence the Achæans, under the command of  
 his sons, returned to the Peloponnesus, and spread themselves over  
 Argolis and Laconia.

### § 55. *The Heroic Age.*

(1300 to 1100.)

233 The wanderings of the Hellenic tribes had awakened at  
 D a very early period a passion for bold and extraordinary  
 undertakings; which were at first confined to their native  
 land, but soon extended into foreign countries. At first  
 they were merely the enterprizes of individual heroes, such  
 as Hercules, Theseus, &c.; but at a later period expe-  
 ditions were undertaken by numbers, who united for that  
 purpose. In this manner Greece endured a period of the  
 most fearful disorganization and supremacy of brute force,  
 the natural consequence of its political division into sepa-  
 rate nations, and the absence of popular rights.

Hercules is described in mythical history as the ideal of human perfection, dedicated to the service of his fellow-creatures. All that is excellent in him is of divine origin; thus he consists of a godlike and a human nature; is the son of Jupiter and Alcmenē, the wife of Amphitryon; and even in the cradle manifests his superiority over his merely human brother Iphicles by strangling a couple of serpents. As a youth he is tempted (fable of Hercules at the place where the roads divide), and overcomes the temptation. He is persecuted during the whole of his life by the relentless malice of Hērē [*Juno*], but protected by Pallas. His enemy Here avails herself of the assistance of Eurystheus, at whose command Hercules undertakes his *twelve labours*; which, in accordance with the object of the myth, consist in the destruction of noxious and violent animals (the Nemean lion, the Lernean hydra, the Erymanthian boar, the hind of Artēmis, the Stympalian birds, the Cretan bull, the horses of Diomēdes in Thracia), or in the acquisition of treasures belonging to foreign lands (the zone of the queen of the Amazons, the cows of the three-headed Geryon, the golden apples of the Hesperides), or, most of all, in superhuman exertions (purification of the Augean stable). The list of his toils closes with his triumphant return from the lower world, bringing with him the three-headed dog Cerberus. But to render the story fully instructive, the poet speaks also of his madness, and of his love for the Lydian queen Omphālē; and, in due course, of his return to the path of virtue. The myth concludes with a magnificent description of the hero's self-immolation on a funeral pile, and his assumption into heaven, where he is reconciled to Here, and marries her daughter Hebe.

Theseus, son of the Athenian king Ægeus, appears also in mythical history as a benefactor to the human race, especially in his native country. He slays robbers, relieves Athens from the necessity of sending to Crete an annual tribute of seven boys and seven virgins, by putting the Minotaur to death in the Cretan labyrinth (with the assistance of Ariadne), and fights with the Amazons and Centaurs. He, as well as Hercules, is under the protection of a deity, Poseidōn (whence he is said to be his son, and a native of Trœzēne, the city of Poseidon). By the aid of his patron, he returns safely from Crete and from the lower world, which he had visited in company with his friend Peirithous, for the purpose of abducting Persephōne. He puts to death his son Hippolytus, who had been accused by his stepmother Phædra of an attempt to dishonour her. For his establishment of a constitution in Attica, see § 61.

#### MYTHS CONCERNING EXPEDITIONS UNDERTAKEN BY THE GREEKS CONJOINTLY.

1. THE ARGONAUTIC EXPEDITION.—Phrixus, son of 234 Athamas, king of Orchomenus, flying with his sister Helle from the persecutions of his step-mother Ino, attempted to cross the sea to Colchis on the back of a ram, with a golden fleece. Helle, being unable to keep her seat, was

(234) drowned in the waters of the strait called from her the <sup>A</sup> Hellespont; but Phrixus, having landed safely on the shores of Colchis, offered up the ram in sacrifice, and presented its fleece to king *Æëtes*, who placed it in the sacred grove of *Ares*, under the guardianship of a dragon. To recover this fleece, *Jason*, son of the king of *Iolchus*, with the most renowned heroes of his time—such as *Hercules*, *Theseus*, and his friend *Peirithous*, *Castor* and *Pollux*, the minstrel *Orpheus*, and the fathers of the heroes who fought before *Troy* (*Peleus*, *Telamon*, *Oïleus*, *Neleus*, and *Mencæti*us)—embarked on board the ship *Argo*, and, after various adventures, landed at the mouth of the *Phasis*, and effected his purpose by the aid of *Medea*, daughter of *Æëtes*, whom he carried off into Europe.

235 2. THE WAR OF THE SEVEN CHIEFS AGAINST THEBES.

<sup>B</sup> —In consequence of an oracle, *Laius*, king of *Thebes*, had caused *Ædīpus*, his son by *Jocasta*, to be exposed on *Mount Cithæron*; whence he was rescued, and brought up by *Peribœa*, queen of *Corinth*. *Ædipus* inadvertently slays his father, unriddles the enigma of the *Sphinx*, marries his mother, and becomes king of *Thebes*. On discovering his twofold crime, he puts out his own eyes, and, guarded by his daughter *Antigōne*, wanders in the guise of a beggar to *Colōnos*, in *Attica*, where he casts himself down as a suppliant before the altar of the *furies*, is protected by *Theseus*, and soon afterwards dies. *Jocasta* falls by her own hand. Their twin sons *Eteōcles* and *Polynīces* dispute the succession to the throne; and *Polynīces* being expelled from the city, persuades six heroes (*Adrastus*, *Tydeus*, *Amphiarāus*, *Capāneus*, *Hippomēdon*, and *Parthenopæus*) to join him in an expedition against <sup>D</sup> *Thebes*. Both the brothers are slain, and of the other leaders only *Adrastus* escapes. After the death of *Eteōcles*, the guardianship of his infant son *Laodamas* is undertaken by *Creon*, the brother of *Jocasta* and uncle of the deceased princes.

236 3. WAR OF THE EPIGONI.—Ten years after these events, *Thebes* was again besieged by the sons of the fallen heroes, who carried the city by storm, and placed *Thersander*, the son of *Polynīces*, on the throne.

237 4. WAR AGAINST TROY (B.C. 1194—1184).—The angry feeling which had long existed between the kings of *Troy*

and the race of Pelops, in consequence of the expulsion of (237) Pelops by the Trojan king Dardanus, was brought to a crisis by the abduction of Helēna, wife of Menelāus, king of Sparta, by Paris, one of the sons of Priam, king of Troy. At the instigation of Menelaus and his brother Agamemnon, the most powerful monarch of Greece, an expedition against Troy is undertaken by most of the Grecian princes, viz.—Nestor of Pylus, Odysseus of Ithaca, Achilles, chief-tain of the Myrmidons in Thessaly, Diomēdes of Argos, the two Ajaxes (the one the son of Telamon of Salamis, the other the son of Oīleus, and leader of the Locrians), Thersander of Thebes, Idomēneus of Crete, &c. Whilst the Grecian fleet, consisting of 1186 vessels, with 100,000 men on board, was riding at anchor in the port of Aulis, Artēmis [*Diana*], who was angry with Agamemnon for having slain a fawn, sent a calm, which continued until the king, by the advice of Calchas, consented to offer up his daughter Iphigeniā as a sacrifice to the offended goddess. Artēmis, nevertheless, released the victim, and conveyed her to Tauris. After a siege of ten years the city was taken (myth of the wooden horse, constructed by Epēus), and burnt.—Migration of Æneas to Italy.

MODE OF WARFARE.—Their armies were composed entirely of infantry and war-chariots, without cavalry.—Duels or single combats of the heroes.—The Greek camp protected by walls and ditches.—Achilles, enraged at the abduction of Brisiēs by Agamemnon, refuses to take any part in the war, until he resumes his weapons to avenge the death of his friend Patroclus, and kills Hector. Achilles himself also slain.

FATE OF THE GRECIAN PRINCES AFTER THEIR RETURN.—1. AGAMEMNON was murdered by his wife Clytemnestra, and her paramour Ægisthus; both of whom were afterwards slain by Orestes, the son of Agamemnon, with the assistance of his friend Pylādes. Orestes, who was persecuted for a long time by the furies, on account of his matricide, obtained the sovereignty of Argos and Mycenæ, and, as son-in-law of Menelaus, became also king of Sparta. His son Tisamēnus was expelled by the Dorians (see p. 123, A). 2. MENELĀUS, accompanied by Helēna, wandered for eight years about the coasts of Cyprus, Phœnicia, &c. 3. DIOMĒDES, finding his wife Ægialea married again, quitted Argos, and fled to Italy. 4. A variety of adventures were experienced by ODYSSEUS [*Ulysses*].

(238) THE CONSTITUTION OF THE HEROIC AGE was hereditary  
 A monarchy. The kings, who were supposed to be allied to the gods (ἐκ δὲ Διὸς βασιλῆες—thence called by Homer διογενεῖς, διοτρεφέες, δῖοι,) were judges, commanders, and the representatives of their people in offering public sacrifices. Their revenue consisted of an estate (τέμενος), a larger share of the booty and victims offered in sacrifice, and voluntary gifts (γέρατα, δῶρα). As counsellors of the kings, we find individual nobles, sometimes bearing the title of princes and leaders (ἡγήτορες ἢ δὲ μέδοντες), sometimes of elders (γέροντες). There were also assemblies (ἀγοραί) of the people (ὄῃμος), who were, however, called together, not to express any opinion, but simply to decide.

B In many of the Grecian states the king seems to have been merely the first man among the nobles. Thus Attica was divided by Theseus into twelve districts, each under a separate dynasty; the twelve rulers being presided over by the king. Similar constitutions, according to Homer, existed in Scheria and Ithaca. These princes are also called βασιλῆες, and perform all those official duties which are not necessarily (like the command-in-chief of the army) intrusted to one person. As these chiefs gradually threw off the yoke of the sovereign, the supreme monarchical power came into their hands, and hence arose aristocratic constitutions.

## SECOND PERIOD.

### FROM THE MIGRATION OF THE DORIANS TO THE PERSIAN WAR, 1104—500.

#### § 56. *The Migration of the Dorians, or Heraclidæ.*

(1104.)

239 Some fifty years after the Trojan war the Thessa-  
 C lians, a branch of the Thesprotians, wandered from Epīrus to the valley of the Penēus, and gave the name of Thessaly to the district which had been hitherto called Pelasgicon. The ancient inhabitants (Æolians) either became serfs (πενέσται), or went into exile, as in the case of the Bœotians, who conquered the country named from them Bœotia: the aborigines of which (as the Minyans in Orchomēnus, the Cadmēans in Thebes, the Thracians, &c.) scattered themselves over the neighbouring states, and founded several colonies. From this period we find no further mention of them in history.

#### THE CONQUEST OF PELOPONNESUS BY THE DORIANS

is represented in the myth as having been undertaken for (239) the purpose of establishing the ancient hereditary claims <sup>A</sup> of the Heraclidæ. Amphitryon, we are told, the father of Hercules, was deposed from the throne of Tiryns by Sthenelus, king of Mycænæ. The endeavours of his posterity to recover their inheritance were for a long time ineffectual; but, eighty years after the Trojan war, three of the descendants of Hercules (TEMENUS, CRESPHONTES, and ARISTODĒMUS), at the head of the DORIANS, who had hitherto dwelt between Cæta and Parnassus (see § 54), and, accompanied by the Ætolians under Oxylus, crossed the Corinthian gulf near Naupactus, overthrew the Achæans under Tisamēnus, the son of Orestes (who resided at Mycenæ, and thence ruled the districts of Laconia, Argos, and Messenia), and divided the conquered lands of the Atridæ. Temenus received Argolis for his portion, Cres- <sup>B</sup> phontes Messenia; PROCLÆS and EURYSTHENES, the sons of Aristodēmus (who had been struck dead by lightning), obtained Laconia, and the Ætolians Elis. At a later period Doric kingdoms were also founded in Sicyon, Corinth, Megaris, &c. Attica lost Megaris, and only retained her independence through the magnanimous self-sacrifice of Codrus, the last Athenian king, 1068. Thus much seems to be historically certain, that about the year B. C. 1100, Dorians, under various leaders, after a great battle, settled in Peloponnesus, and made themselves masters of the greater part of the peninsula; not all at once, but gradually, and after a long and severe struggle. The Arca- <sup>C</sup> dians alone continued to occupy their ancient habitations. Of the Achæans some were subdued, and others took possession of the northern coast of the Peloponnesus, inhabited by the Ionians, who retired before the invaders, and took refuge in Attica, the islands, and Asia Minor.

§ 57. *The Greek Colonies on the western coast of Asia Minor, and the adjacent islands.*

The movement of the Heraclidæ was followed by the 240 establishment of colonies in the islands and coasts of Asia Minor, partly by the conquerors, who were compelled to emigrate on account of the superabundant population, and partly by the vanquished aborigines.

1. ÆOLIAN COLONIES.—After losing the sovereignty of

(210) the Peloponnesus, the expelled Achæans (under the command of Penthilus, a son of Orestes) migrated, in company with the Bœotian Ætolians, to Mysia and Lydia (hence the name of Æolis), where they founded twelve cities, or states; among which the most important were Cyme and Smyrna. The latter was taken at an early period of its history by the Ionians (expelled from Colophon). At the same time, they spread over Lesbos, where they founded Mitylēne and Methymna, and took possession of several other islands.

241 2. IONIAN COLONIES.—The same Ionians, who, when they were expelled by the Achæans from the northern coast of Peloponnesus, had fled to their kinsmen in Attica, migrated (under the younger son of Codrus), in company with the remnants of other Greek clans, to the Cyclades, Chios, and Samos, as well as to the southern coast of Lydia and to the north of Caria (hence the name Ionia), where they also founded twelve cities. Of these states, which were united by the bond of a common sanctuary (the Panionium at Mycæle), the most important were—1. Milētus; which founded more than eighty colonies, principally on the shores of the Pontus Euxinus and the Propontis (see § 62). 2. Ephēsus, with the famous temple of Artēmis, which was burnt by Herostratus (359), and restored on a more magnificent scale. 3. Phocæa, the inhabitants of which emigrated to Massilia (compare § 55). 4. Smyrna, formerly an Æolian city.

242 3. DORIAN COLONIES.—Dorians, from different cities of Peloponnesus and from Megara, emigrated to the islands of Crete (see § 54), Rhodes, Thera, and southern Caria (hence Doris), and founded a confederacy of six cities (the Doric Hexapōlis); two of which, Halicarnassus (the birth-place of Herodotus and Dionysius), and Cnidus (battle in 394), were on the main land. From Thera a colony was sent out, about the year 632, to Cyrene, in Africa.

### § 58. *Origin of Republican Constitutions.*

243 With the heroic age expired also the absolute sovereignty of individuals, partly through the extinction of royal families, and partly through the restrictions imposed on the authority of the crown, or the violent expulsion of



their kings. Instead of monarchical, most of the states (243) adopted aristocratic, and at a later period republican, con-<sup>A</sup>stitutions, with various modifications; and except at Sparta, where two kings, a Eurysthēnid and a Proclid (247, D.) continued to reign, the monarchical constitution was retained only in Argos, and that under considerable restrictions, until the Persian war. Greece was split into almost as many independent states as there were cities with a territory attached to them, only a few districts, such as Laconia, Megaris, and Attica, forming each a confederate state; although in many, perhaps in all the other districts, the different independent cities were united by a league. By this arrange-<sup>B</sup>ment, which existed especially in Achaia, each city retained its own constitution, or sometimes a particular city was invested with the Hegemony, or presidency over the others, as Thebes over the states of Bœotia, and Sparta over those of the Peloponnesus.

In most of the Grecian states, as well at home as in the colonies, the struggles of the people against an arrogant oligarchy occasioned, in the seventh and sixth centuries B. C., the establishment of TYRANTS, as they were called, that is, of individuals who assumed a supreme and irresponsible authority, which they endeavoured to render hereditary in their families. In those states, especially, which were not<sup>C</sup> exclusively Dorian (*i. e.* in all those of the mother country except Sparta and Argos), the establishment of this kind of *tyranny* was the result of the struggles between the ancient inhabitants and the Dorians; the leaders of the popular party, in their resistance to aristocratic oppression, generally retaining their power after the victory was gained, and assuming the authority and name of Tyrants.

The most numerous changes of constitution were experienced by<sup>244</sup> Corinth, where, after the Doric immigration, the sovereign power was at first in the hands of the Heraclidæ, then of the Bacchiadæ,<sup>D</sup> who for a time retained the monarchical constitution, but subsequently established an oligarchy under the presidency of a Prytaneus, elected annually—(during this period most of the Corinthian colonies were founded, such as Syracuse, Corcyra, Potidæa, &c.)—then a tyranny was established in the person of Cypselus (657), who was succeeded by his son Periander, one of the seven sages of Greece, and he by his nephew Psammeticus, until the expulsion of their tyrants by the Corinthians (584) and the restoration of the oligarchical constitution.

There were two institutions which served, no less than

the confederacies of cities in the same district, to unite the little independent states into which Greece was divided.

- 245 1. The Amphictyoniæ (properly Amphictioniæ) or  
 A unions of people living in the vicinity of a sanctuary, established for the purposes of mutual security, and of celebrating their festivals in common. They differed from the ordinary confederacies, in not being directed against any third power. The most celebrated was the DELPHIC AMPHICTYONIA, originally a confederacy of Hellenic tribes in Thessaly, who acquired new settlements in their wars with  
 B the Pelasgians. The term was subsequently used in a more extended sense to express a union of the several nations of Thessaly and central Greece, comprising at an early period twelve districts (with their colonies), the number and privileges of which remained unchanged until the time of Philip II. of Macedonia. The reception of several Pelasgian clans into the confederacy, naturally altered its original character of a defensive alliance against the Pelasgians, and from that time the union assumed a more peaceful form. To the Amphictyons belonged the privilege of protecting the Delphic oracle and the treasures deposited in the temple, of arranging the festivals and providing for the  
 C security of pilgrims. Through this connexion with the Amphictyons the Delphic oracle obtained such an influence, that at one time nothing of importance was undertaken without its command or sanction: but as faith in its prophetic powers declined, the Amphictyonia fell also into disrepute, and was superseded by the Hegemonia, first of Sparta, and subsequently of Athens.

- From this period the duties of the confederacy were restricted to the protection of the oracle, and the superintendence of the Pythian games, until the Phocian war, when  
 D it again assumed a political character. So far was it, however, from recovering the influence which it had possessed in the sacred war against Crissa, that its exertions were now of little avail, except to increase intestine discord, and hasten the downfall of Grecian freedom.

At the two meetings, which were held annually, in the Spring at Delphi, and in the Autumn near Thermopylæ (at Anthēla), the multitude of citizens who attended from the cities of the league composed the greater assembly. There was also a council of deputies, who, besides arranging the questions to be brought forward for dis-

cussion in the assembly, and carrying its decisions into effect, were (245) charged also with the superintendence of the sanctuaries belonging to the league, and the worship connected with them; and more particularly with the management of the Delphic temple, and the Pythian games. <sup>A</sup>

2. THE CONGRESSES (πανηγύρεις) at the four great 246 National Games, which, with few exceptions, were open to all Greeks, and to them exclusively.

a. The *Olympic*, the most renowned of all, were founded, according to the legend, by Hercules, and after a long interruption, revived by Iphitus of Elis (a descendant of Oxylus), and Lycurgus of Sparta (300 years after the destruction of Troy; consequently in 884?). It would seem, <sup>B</sup> however, that what is called their revival, was, in reality, the first establishment of these games. From the year B. C. 776 (Olymp. i. 1.), a regular record was kept of the conquerors, and from that date until A. D. 392. The games at the commencement of the first year in each Olympiad were celebrated at Olympia, in honour of Zeus, with gymnastic contests and horse-races, during a general amnesty, which lasted five successive days; the ceremonial being closed by sacrifices, a banquet, and a grand procession.

The gymnastic combats of men (at a later period of boys also) <sup>C</sup> consisted, at first, simply of races in the stadium: but gradually the programme was enlarged by the addition of the Pentathlon (or union of five exercises), viz., leaping, throwing the discus or javelin, running, and wrestling; and the Pancration, or union of wrestling and boxing. The other combats consisted of races on horseback, and in chariots drawn by two or four horses. The presence of so many Hellenes from all parts of the country, and the difficulty, in those days, of making any general announcement, rendered the Olympic Panegyris an occasion peculiarly favorable for public advertisements, and the exhibition of works of art. The victors were rewarded on the spot with crowns of wild olive branches, and statues in the grove of Altis, and still more substantially on their return to their own cities; at Athens, for example, with a triumphal entry, *Proedria*, and maintenance for life in the Prytaneum.

b. The *Pythian*, in honour of the Pythian Apollo, were <sup>D</sup> held in the third year of each Olympiad, on the plain of Pytho, between Delphi and Cirrha.

c. The *Nemean* were celebrated in a cypress-grove near the village of Nemea, in Argolis, in honour of Zeus (in the winter of the second, and summer of the fourth, year of each Olympiad).

d. The *Isthmian*, in the grove of pines on the Corin-

A thian isthmus, in honour of Poseidōn (at the beginning of the first, and end of the third, year in each Olympiad).

### § 59. *Sparta.*

247 Laconia, in the division of Peloponnesus, having fallen to the lot of Eurysthenes and Procles, the throne of Sparta was thenceforth always occupied by two kings, a Eurysthenid, and a Proclid. The contests with the Achæans, who still occupied parts of the country, continued for about 300 years, and even in the eighth and seventh centuries, B. C., we find that Achæan colonies were sent out from B Lacedæmon. Of all these struggles the most obstinate was with the inhabitants of Hēlos, who, after the destruction of their city, became bondsmen of the Spartans<sup>1</sup>. Thus the population assumed a threefold character, viz.: 1. The dominant Dorians, or SPARTANS. 2. The PERIÆCI, or LACEDÆMONIANS, a title given to the conquered Achæans, who enjoyed personal freedom, and retained their property in the land. They paid taxes, but had no share in the administration of public affairs. 3. The HELOTS, or bondsmen of the state, who were the inhabitants of places formerly stormed by the Spartans. Their lands were forfeited C to the conquerors, whose property they farmed, paying them a proportion of the annual produce by way of rent. They served in war, either as attendants on their masters, or as light-armed soldiers; but were considered the property of the state, and consequently could not be sold out of the country, or put to death.

LYCURGUS, a member of the family of Procles, and guardian of King Charilæus, was compelled by the opposite party to withdraw from Sparta; but returned about the year 880, D after having visited Crete, Asia Minor, and Egypt. At the request of his fellow-citizens, and with the approbation of the Delphic oracle, Lycurgus gave his native city a constitution, partly new, but for the most part merely a legal confirmation of ancient practices, recorded by oral tradition in the form of proverbs (ῥῆγραι). THE TWO HEREDITARY KINGS were retained. They presided over the public sacrifices, and in war had the uncontrolled command of the army; but in

<sup>1</sup> [The term *Helots* is much more probably connected with ἑλεῖν than with *Helos* and this tale of its capture, which was probably invented to account for the term.]

time of peace were distinguished merely by the privileges (247) which they enjoyed (a dwelling, estates, perquisites of <sup>A</sup> beasts offered for sacrifice, and skins, booty, precedence, a double portion at the public meals, and a public funeral). The government was administered by a *γερονσία*, consisting of the two kings, and twenty-eight men who had reached, at least, their sixtieth year. They were elected by the people and were irresponsible. The duties of this council were to propose measures to the general assembly of the people, discharge the highest functions of government, sit in judgment as the supreme criminal tribunal, and, in conjunction with the Ephors, to watch over public morals.

The POPULAR ASSEMBLY, at which every Spartan above 248 thirty years of age had the right of voting, was regularly <sup>B</sup> assembled every full moon in the open air, and decided by acclamation on the adoption or rejection of the propositions successively laid before it by the Gerusia, which related principally to the passing or repealing of laws, the choice of public officers, war and peace. It is uncertain, whether Lycurgus himself introduced the five EPHORI, who originally, as presidents of the popular assembly, acted the part of judges in civil matters, and, at a later period, as representatives of the people, from whom they were taken, formed a standing opposition to the kings and Gerusia, and enjoyed almost unlimited power. They exercised a strict control <sup>C</sup> over the public morals, education, and the behaviour of foreigners, enforced observance of the laws, conducted all public negotiations, particularly with regard to foreign affairs (the *συνάλη* <sup>1</sup>), enquired into the manner in which the magistrates performed their duties, and even possessed the power of arresting the kings. To the legislation of Lycurgus is ascribed also the introduction of an equal partition of the land, in accordance with which the whole country was divided into 39,000 inalienable and indivisible lots or properties, 9000 greater, of which each Spartan family (at least after the acquisition of Messenia) possessed one, and 30,000 smaller for the Lacedæmonians; but this arrangement was probably subsequent to the first Messenian war.

The regulations of Lycurgus with respect to educa- 249

[<sup>1</sup> See the description of it in the 'Handbook of Grecian Antiqq.' (p. 139), or in the 'Dict. of Greek and Roman Antiqq.']

(249) tion and domestic life had reference principally to the  
 A qualification of every free citizen for military service,  
 and the subjection of all private interests to those of the  
 state. Every new-born child, if weakly or deformed, was  
 exposed on Mount Tāyġētus; the strong children were  
 brought up by their mothers until their seventh year, and  
 from that time, until the age of thirty, were publicly edu-  
 cated in troops or classes (ἀγέλαι and βoῦαι) instructed  
 in gymnastic accomplishments, music, and dancing, and  
 accustomed to practise the resources and endure the priva-  
 B tions of warfare. That the citizen's life might be perpet-  
 ually that of the soldier in his camp, exempt from household  
 cares and occupations, Lycurgus instituted public meals  
 (συσσίτια, in Lacedæmon φειδίτια; the black broth), in  
 separate messes of fifteen persons, and required the greatest  
 simplicity in dress and lodging. For the removal of every  
 temptation to avarice or foreign luxury, the only circu-  
 lating medium allowed was an iron coinage; and commerce,  
 travelling, and the residence of foreigners at Sparta were  
 strictly prohibited. The chief occupation of the free citizen  
 was the practice of military exercises, in which all persons  
 between the ages of twenty and sixty were required to  
 c join. The Pericæci devoted themselves exclusively to trade  
 and manufactures, whilst the cultivation of the soil and all  
 mechanical labours devolved on the Helots.

Lycurgus, after exacting from the king, the senate, and  
 the people, an oath that none of his laws should be changed  
 during his absence, quitted the city and never returned.

### § 60. *The two first Messenian Wars.*

#### 250 1. FIRST MESSENIAN WAR (743—724).

D LEGEND CONCERNING THE CAUSE OF THE WAR<sup>1</sup>. Some Spartan vir-  
 gins, who had come to worship at a temple of Artemis common to  
 both Lacedæmonians and Messenians, were carried off by Messenian  
 youths, and the Spartan king (Telæclus) slain in an attempt to re-  
 lease them; soon after this outrage, a noble Messenian (Polychæres),  
 being unable to obtain satisfaction from the Spartan senate for the  
 driving away of his cattle, and the assassination of his son, (by a  
 Lacedæmonian named Euæphnus,) avenged himself by the murder of  
 some Spartans.

Their demand that the murderer should be delivered up

<sup>1</sup> According to an intimation in Tacit. Annal. iv. 43, the real cause  
 of the war seems to have been a dispute respecting the boundaries of  
 the two states.

to them, being treated with contempt, the Spartans at once (250) commenced the war, by making several incursions into the <sup>A</sup> Messenian territory. Many bloody, but indecisive, battles were fought. The Messenians threw themselves into the strong fortress of Ithōme, and, during the lifetime of their king, Aristodēmus, with the assistance of the Achæans, Arcadians, and Sicyonians, made head against the Spartans; but after his death, Ithome was taken, and many of the Messenians escaped into Argos and Arcadia, whilst those who remained became tributary to the Spartans, under the name of Perioeci.

The despised Parthenii (children of slaves ?) as they were called, being detected in a conspiracy with the Helots, emigrated to Italy, where they founded the city of Tarentum (708).

2. SECOND MESSENIAN WAR (685—668). The hard 251 conditions on which peace had been granted to the Messenians, and their contemptuous treatment by the Spartans, roused the next generation to insurrection, in which they were assisted not only by their former allies, but also by the Eleans. Under the command of the Heraclid Aristomēnes, the Messenians defended themselves against the Spartans (who were led by the lame Athenian minstrel Tyrtæus), and for eleven years kept possession of the fortress of Ira, from which successful incursions were often made into the Spartan territory. In one of these sallies <sup>c</sup> Aristomēnes himself was taken prisoner, but escaped from his prison (the Cæadas) by following, it is said, the footsteps of a fox (?), and returned to Ira. At length, through the treachery of a Spartan deserter, the enemy were admitted during a tempestuous night; and the Messenians, after bravely contesting the possession of the city for three days and nights, were at last compelled to abandon their post. Aristomēnes, placing the women and children in the centre of the army, fought his way into Arcadia, but his plan of surprising Sparta from this point was frustrated through the treachery of the Arcadian king, Aristocrātes. Most of the <sup>d</sup> Messenians emigrated to Sicily, where they took possession of Zancle, which thenceforth was called Messāna. The few who remained became Helots.

### § 61. Athens.

1. PERIOD OF THE KINGS to the year 1068. The whole 252 catalogue of Athenian sovereigns until the reign of Theseus

(252) is a mere unconnected tissue of mythical personages, inter-  
 A woven with personifications of local events. The historical period of Athens begins with Theseus, who collected into one city the scattered communities of Attica, and in addition to the old partition of the country into four Phylæ, and twelve Phratriæ, introduced a fresh division (based on the condition and employments of the people) into *εὐπατριδαι* (nobles), *γεωμόροι* (husbandmen), and *ἐημιουργοί* (handicraftsmen). The last sovereign of the line of Theseus lost his crown to Melanthus, a descendant of Nestor, who, flying from Pylos, arrived in Attica, whilst that country was engaged in a dispute with Bœotia concerning their boundaries, and accepted a challenge to meet the king of Bœotia in single combat, which had been declined by the Athenian monarch. He was succeeded by  
 B his son Codrus, after whose voluntary death (239) the contest of his two sons for the throne afforded the Eupatridæ an opportunity of entirely abolishing the kingly office. Neleus, disgusted at the preference shown to his brother, emigrated to Asia Minor, as leader of the Ionians; whilst Medon and his descendants became mere chief magistrates, responsible for their administration to the aristocracy, the title of king being at the same time exchanged for that of ARCHON.

253 2. ARCHONS FOR LIFE (1068 to 752), of the family of  
 C Codrus. They differed from the kings merely in name, and in being responsible for their administration.

254 3. ARCHONS FOR TEN YEARS (752—682). Only the four first were of the family of Codrus: afterwards the Archonship was open to all Eupatrids.

4. NINE JOINT ARCHONS ANNUALLY ELECTED (from the year 682). The first of these, who had the title of *Eponymus*, because the year was named after him, was originally at the head of the civil administration, the second, or *Basileus*, was the chief-priest, and the third, or *Polemarchus*,  
 D commanded the army in time of war. The remaining six, who were called *Thesmothetæ*, were charged with the administration of criminal justice.

As the Archons were chosen only from the Eupatrids, and, in the absence of statute law, were guilty of great partiality and oppression in the discharge of their office, a system of written laws was loudly called for by the dis-



satisfied plebeians. In the year 624 one of the Archons, (255) named *Draco* [Δράκων], was commissioned to draw up such <sup>A</sup> a code, but the extreme severity of his *δῆσμοί* only increased the discontent of the people. Draco fled to Ægina, where he died, and most of his laws fell into disuse.

THE INSURRECTION OF CYLON (612). At the head of the malecon- 256 tents was one Cylōn, who attempted to make himself absolute at Athens. With some troops belonging to his father-in-law (Theagēnes, tyrant of Megāra), he seized on the Acropolis, but was soon expelled by the Archon Megacles (of the family of Alcmaeonidæ), at whose instigation the partisans of Cylon, who had fled for refuge to the altar of the Eumenides, were all put to death. The Alcmaeonidæ, laden with a curse on account of this murder, were compelled, at the suggestion of Solon, to quit the city, which was purified from the pollution by Epimenides of Crete.

In order to remove the misunderstanding between the 257 Eupatrids and the Demos [or *people*], two measures were <sup>B</sup> proposed by Solōn, a descendant of Codrus, who was already well known to the people. 1. *The recovery of Salamis*.—This island had been lost to the Megarians, and all attempts to retake it having proved ineffectual, it was forbidden on pain of death to propose an expedition for that purpose. Solon, however, by means of an elegy, delivered under the influence, as he pretended, of insanity, prevailed on the Athenians to renew the war. He himself acted as their leader, and the Megarians having been inveigled into Attica, were put to death by soldiers disguised as women. The settlement of the dispute having been <sup>C</sup> subsequently referred to the Lacedæmonians, Solon secured the possession of the island to his countrymen by interpolating a verse in the *Iliad* (ii. 558). 2. *The first Sacred War*.—The Crisæans had not only extorted heavy payments from the merchants and pilgrims who passed through their territory on the road to Delphi, but had even plundered the temple of Apollo, and put to death the foreigners who happened to be present. Solon having induced the Amphictyons to make war on Crisa [Κρῖσα rather than Κρίσσα]; the city was demolished, its inhabitants sold into slavery, and its territory, in obedience to an injunction of the oracle, consecrated to the Pythian Apollo. Meanwhile, three <sup>D</sup> factions had sprung up in Attica: 1. The Eupatrids, who possessed rich estates on the plains of Attica (οἱ ἐκ τοῦ πεδίου), and advocated a rigid oligarchy. 2. The proprietors in the mountainous districts, who were poor and in debt;

(257) these wished to establish a democracy. 3. The Demiurgi  
 A on the coast (πάραλοι), who desired a mixed form of government. With the view of reconciling these various factions, the sovereign authority was offered to Solon, and on his refusal to accept the crown, he was chosen Archon Eponymus (in 594), and commissioned to draw up a new code of laws.

#### 258 SOLON'S LEGISLATION.

The measures adopted by Solon for meeting the present emergency and reconciling the contending parties were :  
 1. The repeal of all Draco's laws except those against murder. 2. The *Seisactheia*, as it was called [i.e. the *shaking off of burdens*], by which claims were rendered more moderate, and the means of liquidating debts facilitated by  
 B raising the standard of the coinage (about  $\frac{27}{100}$ <sup>1</sup>). At the same time Solon abolished the ancient law of arrest for debt, and restored their civil rights to all citizens (except actual felons), who had been pronounced ἄτιμοι [Antiqq. 139].

259 The persons excluded from civil rights were : 1. The μέτοικοι [*resident-alien*s], for the most part foreigners, who were permitted by the state to exercise their trades at Athens in consideration of a fixed payment and an undertaking to bear their share of all the public burdens (even military service). In all legal proceedings they were represented by a citizen as their advocate or patron (προσάτης). 2. The slaves (purchased foreigners and their descendants), whose lives were protected by Solon's code, and a right of complaint against their masters allowed in cases of undue severity. Emancipated slaves were admitted to the same privileges as the Metœci, and were required to choose their former masters as patrons.

260 A democratic character was given to the constitution of  
 C Solon by the substitution of property for birth as a qualification for the higher offices of state. In accordance with this plan, the citizens were divided into four classes :  
 1. The πεντακοσιομέδιμνοι, who obtained yearly from their estates 500 measures of dry and liquid produce. 2. The ἱππεῖς, who had 300 measures, and were able to maintain a war-horse. 3. The ζευγῖται, who had 200 measures, and kept a pair of farm-horses. 4. The θῆτες, who possessed a smaller income. None but citizens of the first class were eligible to the Archonship ; and by consequence no others were admissible into the court of Areopāgus. The other offices of state were open to the three first classes,

<sup>1</sup> [“—making the mina be counted at 100, instead of its previous value, 73 drachmas.”—*Keightley's Greece*, p. 62.]

and all enjoyed the right of voting in the popular assem- (260)  
 blies and acting as judges. In this manner, Solon con- A  
 trived to reconcile the conflicting claims of the nobility  
 and the people; the former continued for a long period to  
 monopolize all the most important offices, whilst at the  
 same time the personal equality of all free-born citizens  
 was fully recognized.

The citizens of the first and second classes served as cavalry  
 soldiers, those of the third as hoplites, and those of the fourth (only  
 in cases of necessity), as light-armed troops, and at a later period as  
 marines on board the fleet.

The NINE Archons were retained. They were chosen 261  
 annually by lot from the first class: and before entering B  
 on their office, were required to undergo a formal examina-  
 tion, and to swear that they would neither go beyond the  
 law nor receive bribes.

The Senate (*βουλή*), which from the time of Solon 262  
 had consisted of 400 members (above thirty years of age),  
 100 for each Phyle, was increased to 500 when Cleisthènes  
 divided the nation into ten Phylæ, and subsequently to  
 600, on the addition of two new Phylæ. The members  
 were chosen annually by lot (after a previous scrutiny)  
 from the three first classes. The senate was not only C  
 required to investigate all questions previously to their dis-  
 cussion in the general assembly, but was also charged with  
 the superintendence of all public functionaries, and the  
 various branches of the administration, especially as re-  
 garded financial arrangements, such as the farming out the  
 produce of the public lands, and the income arising from  
 the mines, import duties and personal taxes paid by the  
*μέτοικοι*, as well as those exacted from them for permission  
 to exercise their trades. The collection of rents from in-  
 dividual farmers was also intrusted to the Senate.

The ASSEMBLY OF THE PEOPLE (*ἐκκλησία*), which con- 263  
 sisted of all classes of citizens, was held regularly four D  
 times in each Prytany (thirty-five or thirty-six days), on  
 the Pnyx (at a later period also in the theatre), and after  
 formal debate decided such questions as were proposed to  
 it by the senate, respecting the enactment or repeal of  
 laws, the election of magistrates, war and peace, political  
 offences, &c. They voted sometimes by holding up their  
 hands, and sometimes (as in the Ostracism) by throwing  
 pebbles into an urn.

264 The COURT OF AREOPAGUS, composed of ex-Archons  
 A who had discharged the duties of their office unblameably, held its sittings by night on the hill of Ares [*"Mars' Hill"*]. To them was committed the trial of grave offences, as well as the superintendence of public morals and the education of youth. They possessed also the right of investigating and annulling the decrees of the popular assembly.

For the lower courts of justice 6000 men, above thirty years of age (*ἡλιαστοί*), were annually selected by lot from the assembly of the people, and from them were chosen the Thesmothētæ (generally from 500 to 600) required for the trial of each cause.

B After engraving on tables of woods and setting up on the Acropōlis his code of laws, which the people swore to observe for 100 years, Solon travelled into Asia Minor, Crete, and Egypt: but on his return he found the nation still split into three factions, neither of which was satisfied with the privileges which it had obtained.

265 PISISTRATUS, a mountain chieftain, of the race of Codrus, having persuaded his countrymen that the wounds inflicted by himself on his own person were the work of his enemies, obtained a body-guard of club-bearers for his protection, and with their assistance seized the Acropolis,  
 C and became absolute sovereign of Athens (560). He was twice expelled from the city, but each time returned: and having at last obtained the confidence of the people, embellished the city, founded the first library, and made a collection of ancient poems, especially those of Homer.

266 The government was carried on in the same spirit by his eldest son HIPPIAS (527—510), who allowed a considerable share in the administration to his brother HIPARCHUS. This prince, who was an enthusiastic admirer of poetry, was assassinated by Harmodius and Aristogeiton (from motives of private revenge, because the sister of Harmodius had been excluded by the Pisistratidæ from  
 D the Panathenian procession). After this event the administration of Hippias became insufferably severe: and at length, after putting many persons to death, he was expelled by the Alcæonidæ, who had returned from Macedonia, and were assisted by the Spartans<sup>1</sup>, the enemies of all tyranny, and by the disaffected Athenians. In the year 510, Hippias abandoned his country and

<sup>1</sup> Under Cleomenes.

sought an asylum at the court of the Persian king, Darius I.

About the same time the DEMOCRACY was completely 267 established by the Alcmaeonid Cleisthēnes, who endeavoured to obliterate all historical family reminiscences by dividing the people into ten local Phylæ, to which he gave entirely new names, and admitted into them many foreigners. At the same time the number of senators was increased to 500 (fifty for each Phyle), who were now chosen by lot. An ineffectual attempt to overthrow the new constitution was made by Isagōras, at the head of the aristocratic party, supported by the Spartans, who were always favorable to the aristocratical form of government. Cleisthenes and his party were compelled to retire B from Athens, but soon returned. To him is ascribed the invention of the Ostracism, a popular mode of banishing from the city (generally for ten years) any person who, in the opinion of the people, had become too powerful, even although he was charged with no overt act. By this arrangement, the democratic party possessed the power of setting aside all whose wealth, talent, or merit rendered them objects of jealousy.

### § 62. *The Grecian Colonies.*

During this period (particularly from 750 to 650), a 268 number of Grecian colonies were established on the islands and coasts of the Mediterranean, the Propontis, and the Black sea, partly for purposes of commerce, and partly as a means of relieving the mother country from a superabundant population, or in consequence of political disturbances. These settlements adopted for the most part the constitution, manners, and institutions of the mother country, and at a very early period had oligarchical or aristocratical forms of government; which, however, degenerated, even sooner than in Greece proper, into democracies or tyrannies. They were entirely independent of D the mother country, except in so far as they were induced by piety to accord to her certain privileges and distinctions.

I. ÆOLIAN, IONIAN, and DORIAN COLONIES on the 269 western coast of Asia Minor, see § 57.

II. DORIAN COLONIES in Lower Italy, or Magna Græ- 270 cia: 1. Tarentum (see § 60); 2. Locri Epizephyrii

(founded in the first instance by the Ozolian or Opuntian Locrians, and afterwards re-settled by Messenian Dorians).

- 271 III. ACHÆAN COLONIES, in Lower Italy. 1. Croton;  
 A 2. Sybāris. After the destruction of this settlement by the Crotoniates (510), another city named Thurii was founded in the neighbourhood by the Athenians (446).

The Sybarites founded Metapontum and Poseidonia, the latter of which, under Lucanian rule, obtained the name of Pæstum.

- 272 IV. CHALCIDIAN COLONIES: *a. On the Thracian coast* (where the whole peninsula between the Thermaic and Strymonic gulfs had the name of Chalcidicē) were thirty-two places (Olynthus, Chalcis, &c.) all of Chalcidian  
 B origin. *b. In Lower Italy*: 1. Cumæ [or Cyme; in Greek Κύμη], the most ancient of all the Grecian settlements in the west, and the mother-city of Neapōlis; 3. Rhegium. *c. In Sicily*: 1. Naxos (afterwards Tauromenium), with the daughter cities of Leontini and Catāna; 2. Zancle (afterwards a Dorian city under the name of Messana); 3. Himēra.

- 273 V. DORIAN COLONIES: *a. In Sicily*, 1. Syracuse, founded about the year 735, by Archias, a Corinthian, on  
 c the island of Ortygia. It subsequently became four cities: 2. The Hyblæan Megara (destroyed by the Syracusan tyrant, Gelon, about 480), with its daughter city Selīnus; 3. Gela, with its daughter city Agrigentum (destroyed by the Carthaginians in 405, and restored by Timoleon). *b.* A chain of *Corinthian* settlements on the coast of the *Ionian sea*, viz. Leucas, Anactorium, Ambracia, Apollonia, Epidamnus, and particularly Corcyra. *c. On the Thracian coast*: 1. Potidæa (founded by Corinth); 2. Byzantium (by Megara). *d. On the Thracian Bospōrus*, Chalcēdon.

- D *Outline of the History of Syracuse.*—Syracuse underwent more numerous changes of constitution than even her mother country, Corinth (see § 58). *a. Aristocracy* from the establishment of the colony to the time of Gelon (735—484). During this period the supreme authority was lodged in the hands of a few rich families (Gamoroi), who were expelled by the democratic party and an insurrection of the slaves, but restored by Gelon, lord of Gela. *β. Tyranny* (488—466), under three brothers, who succeeded each other in the following order—Gelon, who overthrew the Carthaginians at Himēra on the same day as the battle of Salamis (480), Hieron, and Thrasybūlus. The last was deposed, after a reign of eight months, on account of his cruelty. *γ. Democracy* (466—405),

introduction of the Petalismus, for the purpose of expelling citizens (273) who had become objects of suspicion. Attempt on Syracuse by the Athenians (415—413). *δ. Tyranny* (405—343), Dionysius I. and his son Dionysius II. thrice waged war against Carthage; Timoleon being invited from Corinth to take the command of the Syracusans, overthrew the Corinthians, expelled the tyrants, and re-established *ε. the democracy* (343—317). *ζ. Tyranny* (317—269), Agathocles (317—289) took most of the Grecian cities in Sicily, and waged a fresh war with the Corinthians (comp. § 40. ii.). He was succeeded by Mænon and Ictas. *η. Kings* (269—212). The reign of Hiero II., who was chosen king on account of his victory over the Mamer-tines, and carried on war for a short time against Rome (see § 118), was the most flourishing period of Syracusan history. His great grandson, Hieronýmus, made an alliance with the Carthaginians, which occasioned the siege and capture of the city by Marcellus, in 212.

VI. COLONIES OF MILETUS.—*a. On the Hellespont*—274 Abýdus and Lampsacus. *b. On the Propontis*—<sup>B</sup> Cyzicus. *c. On the Pontus Euxinus*—Sinōpe (with its daughter city Trapezus), Phasis, Tanaïs, at the mouth of the river Tanaïs, Panticapæum, Olbia, at the mouth of the Borysthenes, Tomi, &c.

VII. COLONIES OF THE PHOCÆANS: Aleria on the 275 island of Corsica, and Massilia on the southern coast of Gallia.

VIII. COLONY OF ZACYNTHUS: Saguntum, on the 276 eastern coast of Spain.

The establishment of two colonies by Athens (Amphi-c polis in Macedonia, and Thurii in Magna Græcia), occurs during the next period. For the colony established in Cyrene, see § 57.

### THIRD PERIOD.

From the Persian Wars to the Decline of Grecian Independence, 500—338.

#### § 63. *The Persian Wars.*

(500—449.)

For the causes of the Persian wars (the participation 277 of the Athenians and Eretrians in the revolt of the Ionians), <sup>d</sup> see § 21, b. 4.

A. DEFENSIVE WAR AGAINST THE PERSIANS, 492—479. 278 *First campaign* of the Persians under Mardonius (492); *second* under Datis and Artaphernes (490). See § 21, B. 4.

After the victory of Marathon (29th Sept. 490),

(278) Miltiades formed the design of chastising those islands  
 A of the Ægean sea which had revolted to the Persians during the war. This project succeeded as far as regarded Lemnos, but his attempts to carry Paros being unsuccessful, he was condemned on his return to pay a pecuniary fine, which his son was compelled to raise after the death of his father. The fate of Athens, after the decease of Miltiades, was almost entirely in the hands of Themistocles, and of Aristides, surnamed the "Just."

B Themistocles having espoused the popular cause as the most likely mode of carrying out his ambitious views, succeeded in obtaining the ostracism of his rival by spreading a false report, that Aristides wished to exclude the common people from the privilege of sitting as judges. At the same time, he prevailed on them to pass a decree authorizing the expenditure in ship-building of the revenue arising from the silver-mines of Laurion (thirty to forty talents), which had hitherto been divided annually among the people. This measure, dictated, as he pretended, by  
 C obedience to the oracle, which had counselled the Athenians "to seek for shelter behind their wooden walls," was in reality the result of that sharp-sighted policy, which foresaw the preservation and future aggrandizement of Athens, in the establishment of a naval power as a counterpoise to the superiority of Lacedæmon by land.

279 THIRD CAMPAIGN OF THE PERSIANS IN 480.—Even the advance of an immense Persian army (comp. § 21, B. 5) scarcely awakened the Greeks to a sense of the  
 D necessity of combined exertions. Thebes and the greater part of Bœotia openly took part with the barbarians, whilst Sparta, at the head of the Peloponnesian league, was supported only by Athens and her allies, the cities of Thespiæ and Plataeæ. An attempt to dispute the entrance of the invading army into Thessaly by the pass of Tempe having failed, the Spartan king Leonidas was detached, with 300 Spartans and 4900 Greek soldiers of other nations, to defend the pass of *Thermopylæ*; a Greek fleet, under the command of Eurybiades, a Spartan, being at the same time stationed off the headland of Artemisium. As soon as he heard of the treachery of Ephialtes, Leonidas dismissed all his allies except the Medizing<sup>1</sup> Thebans, and a

<sup>1</sup> [To Medize = to favour the Medes.]



little band of 700 Thespians, who voluntarily remained at (279) their post. After a brave resistance, the patriot army, <sup>A</sup> consisting of these Thespians and 300 Spartans, was entirely cut to pieces. The Thebans laid down their arms; and the Persian army, advancing without opposition, traversed Attica, and burnt the city of Athens, which had been abandoned by the inhabitants. Meanwhile, the Grecian fleet having been twice engaged with the Persians off Artemisium, without obtaining any decided advantage, had retired to Salamis, where Themistocles (who had already bribed Eurybiades to continue at his post, and now, by means of a stratagem, compelled the Peloponnesians to risk another engagement) obtained a splendid victory over the Persian fleet on the 23rd of September.

By a second stratagem of Themistocles (the destruction of <sup>280</sup> the bridge over the Hellespont), Xerxes was induced to <sup>B</sup> hasten his return into Asia, leaving behind him in Thessaly Mardonius, with 300,000 men. After fruitless negotiations with the Greeks, carried on through the intervention of Alexander, king of Macedonia, Mardonius invaded Attica in the year 479. The Athenians, abandoning their city for the second time, fled for refuge to their ships and to the island of Salamis. The Spartans now sent an army to the assistance <sup>C</sup> of their allies; and Mardonius, falling back on Bœotia, was utterly defeated near Platææ (25th of September) by the united forces of the Athenians under Aristides (recalled from banishment to take the command), and the Spartans under their king Pausanias. In this action Mardonius was slain, with the greater part of his army. The rich camp of the invader was plundered by the conquerors, and the city of Thebes closely besieged, until the leaders of the Medizing faction were delivered up to Pausanias, who put them all to death (at Corinth). On the same day <sup>D</sup> the Persians (who had entrenched themselves behind a bulwark, formed partly of their ships, which they had hauled up on land near the promontory of Mycæle, in Asia Minor) were defeated by the Spartan king Leotychides, and the Athenian Xanthippus. This battle, followed by the destruction of the Persian camp and fleet, was the first aggressive movement on the part of the Greeks, and prepared the way for the liberation of the islands and the restoration of independence to the Greeks of Asia Minor.

(280) Under the administration of Themistocles, Athens was **A** rebuilt on a more extensive scale, and the fortifications completed with astonishing rapidity, notwithstanding the remonstrances of the Spartans, who viewed with distrust the increasing power of their rivals. At the same time, the commodious harbour of Piræus was also completed and fortified. As a reward for their bravery, Aristides obtained the enactment of a law, by which citizens of the fourth class were rendered eligible to all offices of state.

281 **B. AGGRESSIVE MARITIME WAR AGAINST THE PERSIANS UNDER THE HEGEMONY OF ATHENS (478—449).**

—The war was continued by the allied fleet, under the command of Pausanias, Aristides, and Cimon, with the view of expelling the Persians from Thrace, the Greek islands, and the colonies of Asia Minor. The greater part of Cyprus was subdued, together with Byzantium; but the haughty arrogance of Pausanias so disgusted the allies, that they transferred the maritime Hegemony from Sparta to Athens (477?). The Spartans hereupon recalled Pausanias, and refused to take any further part in the war against the Persians, which was now carried on with considerable success by the Athenians and their allies.

**C** The Hegemony of Sparta over the other Peloponnesian states consisted in this—that in all wars undertaken by general consent a Spartan should take the command in chief of the allied army; and that all congresses and councils of the allies should be held at Sparta. Until the Persian war this Hegemony was confined to the Peloponnesus, but, in consequence of the almost universal participation of the Greeks in these wars, the system was so far extended, that at the battle of Mycale Sparta found herself at the head of a confederacy, which, in addition to most of the states of the mother country, comprehended also the colonies on the coast of Asia Minor. Athens, on withdrawing from this Hegemony, naturally found allies in the colonists (for the most part democratical), whom she had delivered from the Persian yoke, and over whom she already exercised a species **D** of Hegemony, as the chief maritime power. The tyranny of Pausanias soon compelled, as we have seen, the rest of the allies to withdraw from the Spartan Hegemony, and seek protection by placing the Athenians at the head of the confederacy. The proposal being willingly accepted, Aristides drew up a plan, in which the relative duties of the allied powers were distinctly defined. Each state was to furnish a contingent either of ships or money; and the island of Delos was to be the place of meeting for the congress, and the depository of the common chest, the administration of which was committed to the Athenians.

282. From this period commences the development of a

fierce antagonism between the aristocratic and democratic (282) states of Greece, which gradually split into two parties; <sup>A</sup> of which Athens and Sparta were respectively the heads and representatives. But even in Athens itself there still lingered a restless aristocratic faction, which persuaded the people that danger was to be apprehended from the popularity of Themistocles; and being aided by the secret co-operation of Sparta, at length obtained his banishment by ostracism in the year 473 (?). Themistocles retired, in the first instance, to Argos; but being accused of maintaining a treasonable correspondence with the Persians, in conjunction with Pausanias, he quitted that country, and sought the protection of Artaxerxes I., who granted him for his support the revenues of three cities (Magnesia, Myus, and Lampsacus). He died (it is said, by drinking <sup>B</sup> ox's blood?) without attempting any thing against his native country. Pausanias, who had been engaged in secret negotiations with the Persians for the abolition of the Ephorate and increase of the kingly power at Sparta, escaped arrest by taking refuge in a temple, where he was starved to death. Aristides died about the same time (468?) in extreme poverty. After the banishment of Themistocles, and the death of Aristides, Pericles seems to have been the leader of the democratic party, and Cimon, the son of Miltiades, of the aristocratic; the policy of which was to keep the people employed by continuing the war. Cimon, being appointed commander-<sup>C</sup> in-chief of the army of the league, expelled the Persians from Thrace, Caria, and Lycia; defeated them, by sea and land, on the river Eurymedon; and expended the booty obtained by these victories in beautifying Athens, and joining Piræus to the city by means of the long walls.

#### § 64. *The third Messenian War.*

[465 (or 464)—456 (or 455).]

The Spartans were on the eve of invading Attica, for 283 the purpose of defeating the designs of the Athenians on <sup>D</sup> the island of Thasus, when their preparations were arrested by a tremendous earthquake, by which 20,000 persons lost their lives. The oppressed Helots availed themselves of this opportunity to make an attempt on the city, whilst it

(283) lay in ruins, but finding the Spartans drawn up in arms,  
 A under the command of their king Archidāmus, they retreated to Ithome, which they occupied in conjunction with the Messenians. Through the influence of the aristocratic party, particularly of Cimon, aid was afforded to the Spartans by the people of Athens. Cimon himself marched twice into Messenia, but as the place continued to hold out, and he no longer possessed the confidence of the Spartans, he was dismissed; and in consequence of this disgrace was banished by the ostracism, at the instance  
 B of the democratic party, headed by his rival Pericles. At length, after sustaining a siege of ten years, the Messenians were permitted to depart uninjured, and occupy Naupactus, which had been taken by the Athenians a short time previously from the Locri Ozolæ.

### § 65. *The Age of Pericles.*

#### 284 A. DEGENERACY OF THE ATHENIAN DEMOCRACY.

From the banishment of Cimon may be dated the commencement of democratic supremacy, the people being entirely governed by the influence of its leaders; among whom the most powerful was Pericles, the son of Xanthippus,—a man who, although he had never filled the office of Archon, exercised almost unlimited control as a popular orator and commander during a period of forty  
 C years (468—429). The means of carrying out his various innovations were principally afforded by the removal of the exchequer of the league from Delos to Athens. Ever since the Athenians had supplied shipping and troops, for the purpose of carrying on the war, in return for the pecuniary contingents of the allies, they had been in the habit of looking on the common treasury as their own property, and, instead of employing the finances against  
 D Persia, had applied them to their own purposes. To such an extent was this abuse carried, that the funds contributed by the allies of Athens were even used as an instrument for destroying the independence of those who had supplied them; it being, of course, requisite that all lawsuits connected with these finances should be decided at Athens by the Heliasts. Besides this, all the allies (among whom were now included all the Grecian cities on the coasts of

Macedonia and Thrace, as well as those on the western (284) and southern shores of Asia Minor, as far as Pamphylia, <sup>A</sup> and the islands of the Ægean sea) were not only compelled, after the conclusion of the Persian war, to continue the payment of war-taxes, but these contributions were gradually raised to double the original amount. With such resources at his disposal, Pericles not only embellished the city with the most magnificent buildings, but also found means of inducing the poorer citizens to take a greater interest in public affairs, by granting them a remuneration for their attendance at the public assemblies and in the courts of justice. He also introduced the practice of <sup>B</sup> paying the army, and discharged out of the public exchequer the fees required from the poorer classes for admission to the theatre. As the only obstacle to his design of raising the lower orders, and by consequence increasing his own power, was found in the Areopagus, now the sole representative of aristocratic interests, Pericles obtained (on the motion of one Ephialtes) a decree that the right of deciding certain causes, as well as the guardianship of public morals, and the superintendence of the public treasure, should be withdrawn from that court.

#### B. FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC WARS DURING THIS 285 PERIOD.

1. THE PARTICIPATION OF THE ATHENIANS IN THE 286 INSURRECTION OF THE EGYPTIANS, AND OF THE SATRAP <sup>C</sup> INARUS (460—455) AGAINST THE PERSIANS, ended with the blockade of the Athenian fleet in the Nile, off the island of Prosopitis (see § 21, B. 6).

2. WAR OF THE ATHENIANS WITH THE SPARTANS 287 AND BÆOTIANS (457—450).—In order to establish in Bœotia a counterpoise to the power of Athens, by restoring the influence formerly possessed by the aristocratic government of Thebes, the Spartans, under pretence of expelling the Phocians who had invaded the Doric fatherland, sent an army into central Greece. But all the ad- <sup>D</sup> vantages which they and their allies, the Bœotian and Athenian oligarchs, expected to have gained by the victory of Tanagra (457), were soon neutralized by a victory obtained by the Athenians, under Myronides (near Ceno-  
*Anc. Geo.* H

(287) phyta); in consequence of which the Bœotians, Phocians,  
 A and Opuntian Locrians, joined the Athenian confederacy.  
 As a severe struggle with Sparta was apprehended, Pericles  
 consented to the recall of Cimon, and, through his inter-  
 vention, obtained an armistice for five years with the  
 Peloponnesians (450).

288 3. After their reconciliation with Sparta, a fresh cam-  
 paign against the Persians was undertaken by the  
 Athenians, at the instance of Cimon, who engaged to re-  
 duce the island of Cyprus, but died whilst blockading  
 Citium. On their way home, his fleet and land army over-  
 threw the Egyptians at Salamis of Cyprus (449):

289 4. WAR OF THE ATHENIANS AGAINST THE BŒOTIAN  
 B ARISTOCRACY (447).—A number of aristocratically dis-  
 posed citizens, exiles from those Bœotian cities which had  
 been compelled to join the Athenian confederacy, having  
 united for the purpose of expelling the Athenians, a battle  
 was fought at Coronæa (447), where Tolmides was slain,  
 and the Bœotians gained such a victory as enabled them  
 to attain their object. The Peloponnesians, after the ex-  
 piration of the five years' armistice, having invaded Attica,  
 for the purpose of embarrassing Pericles in his endeavours  
 to reconquer the revolted island of Eubœa, the Athenian  
 commander, in order to secure the island, concluded a truce  
 c with the Peloponnesians for thirty years (445). The con-  
 ditions of this treaty were, that all places taken from the  
 Peloponnesians during the war should be given up; and  
 that Athens and Sparta should each confirm and respect  
 the Hegemony of the other; but unfortunately permis-  
 sion was, at the same time, granted to the neutral states  
 to join the alliance or not, as they might think fit,—an  
 arrangement which laid the foundation of fresh disputes.

### § 66. *The Peloponnesian War.*

(431—404.)

290 CAUSES.—1. The opposition between the ARIS-  
 D TOCRATICAL PARTY and that DEMOCRATIC ELEMENT, which  
 was rapidly acquiring the ascendancy, in spite of the re-  
 sistance offered by Lacedæmon and the other aristocratic  
 states. One of the most prominent signs of this antago-  
 nism was the *jealousy* between Athens and Sparta,

created by the transfer of the Hegemony to Athens, and (290) the fortification of that city; a feeling which had been <sup>A</sup> aggravated by the insult offered to Athens in the dismissal of her troops during the third Messenian war, and by the active participation of the rival powers in the political disputes of other states. 2. The *discontent* of the *allies*, who were treated as vassals by Athens, and had made several ineffectual attempts to throw off the yoke.

IMMEDIATE CAUSES OF HOSTILITIES.—1. *A War be-* 291  
*tween Corcyra and Corinth* (434—432).—Epidamnus, a <sup>B</sup> colony of Corcyra, being hard pressed by her banished nobles in conjunction with the Illyrian barbarians, and having applied in vain to the mother country for assistance, had admitted troops sent by Corinth, the mother country of Corcyra. Hence the war between Corcyra and Corinth. The Corcyræans obtain a victory (off Actium), blockade Epidamnus, and conclude an alliance with the Athenians, who take part in a third, but indecisive, engagement; and through this alliance extend their authority to the coasts of the Ionian sea. 2. The *revolt of Potidæa*, a <sup>C</sup> Corinthian colony, from Athens, in disgust at a command issued by the Athenians, that they should pull down the walls of their city. The Potidæans, although supported by Corinth, are conquered, and their city blockaded. At a congress of the Peloponnesian powers, held at Sparta, by desire of the Corinthians, war against Athens is resolved on, principally at the instigation of the Corinthians and Megaræans, in opposition to the advice of king Archidāmus.

ALLIES.—*a. Of Athens.* Thessalian cavalry—Acarnanians—the 292  
Messenians in Naupactus, Platææ, almost all the islands of the <sup>D</sup> Ægean sea, and in the Ionian sea Corcyra and Zacynthus; most of the Greek cities on the western coast of Asia Minor, the Hellespont, and the shores of Thrace. *b. Of Sparta.* The whole of Peloponnesus, except Argos and Achaia, which remained neutral, Megara, Bœotia, Phocis, Locris, the island of Leucas, and the cities of Ambracia and Anactorium.

I. TEN YEARS' WAR [ὁ δεκαετής πόλεμος] TO THE FIFTY  
YEARS' TRUCE OF NICIAS.

• (431—421.)

The war commenced with the invasion of Attica by the 293  
Peloponnesians, under Archidāmus, which was regularly repeated every year; the Athenians making reprisals by sending a fleet to ravage the coasts of Peloponnesus. As the

(293) Athenians evaded their enemies by land, and the Spartans  
 A shrank from a naval engagement, neither party obtained any  
 decided advantage. The inhabitants of Attica, by the advice  
 of Pericles, sought refuge within the walls of the city;  
 where a pestilence [the famous *Plague*] broke out, which,  
 among its numerous victims, carried off Pericles himself  
 (B. C. 439). After his death the democracy of Athens  
 degenerated into an unbridled oligarchy. The blockaded  
 city of Potidæa was reduced in 430; and the island of  
 Lesbos, the whole of which, with the exception of Me-  
 thymna, had also thrown off its allegiance to Athens, was  
 compelled (the relief promised by Sparta having arrived  
 B too late) to surrender at discretion (427). By the advice  
 of Cleon, sentence of death was passed on all the inhabit-  
 ants of Mitylene, but on the following day it was com-  
 muted into an order for the execution of the principal con-  
 spirators. One thousand of the most distinguished Lesbians  
 were nevertheless put to death, their ships of war taken  
 away, and the whole island (with the exception of Me-  
 thymna) assigned to the Athenians in 3000 lots.

294 In the year 429 the Athenians sent a fleet to the assistance of the  
 C Leontines, who were engaged in war with Syracuse. Demosthenes,  
 who accompanied a second fleet destined for the same service, landed  
 in the dismantled port of Pylos, which he fortified, but was soon  
 blockaded by the Spartans, both by sea and land; a situation from  
 which he was delivered by Eurymædon. The Spartans stationed on  
 the island of Sphacteria, opposite Pylos, being cut off from the main  
 army by Eurymædon, were taken prisoners by Cleon [the demagogue,  
 to whom the command had been given, as a practical joke, that he  
 might make good his frequent assertion, that if the generals were  
*men*, the Lacedæmonians might be captured with ease] (425).

295 In the year 424 the Athenians took the important  
 island of Cythæra, and ravaged the Laconian coast; but  
 their good fortune had now reached its greatest height, for  
 the next year they were defeated by the Bœotians at  
 Delium (where Alcibiades saved the life of Socrates); and  
 about the same time several of their colonies in Chalcidice,  
 including Amphipolis itself, were wrested from them by  
 the Spartan commander Brasidas (Thucydides rescued  
 D Eion, but was nevertheless banished). For the purpose of  
 reconquering these cities, Cleon was dispatched with an  
 army to the Macedonian coast; but being forced by Bra-  
 sidas to risk an engagement, he was defeated at AMPHIPOLIS



in 422. Both generals having fallen in the engagement, (295) a truce for fifty years was negotiated by Nicias; it <sup>a</sup> being stipulated that each party should be placed in the position which it had occupied before the commencement of the war.

## II. FROM THE RENEWAL OF THE WAR TO THE ISSUE OF THE EXPEDITION AGAINST SICILY.

(418—413.)

As some of the Dorian states were dissatisfied with the peace of 296 Nicias, a confederation for its maintenance was formed between Athens and Sparta, which produced the establishment of a counter-league between Argos, Elis, and Mantinēa. But presently complaints arose on both sides respecting the non-fulfilment of certain articles of the treaty; and Alcibiades, availing himself of the misunderstanding thus created between Athens and Sparta, persuaded the Athenians to renounce their alliance with Sparta, and join the Argive confederacy. The Lacedæmonians and their allies, although they obtained a victory over the army of the league at Mantinea in 418, were unable to prevent a renewal of the treaty between Argos and Athens.

THE EXPEDITION AGAINST SICILY (415—413).— 297  
The Athenians, being invited to aid the inhabitants of <sup>a</sup> Egesta, in Sicily, against Syracuse and Selinus, were persuaded by Alcibiades (in opposition to the advice of Nicias) to send thither a fleet of 134 ships, under the command of Alcibiades, Nicias, and Lamachus. The expedition had scarcely landed, and commenced the blockade of Catana, when the Salaminia (the vessel employed for conveying sacred embassies) arrived, with dispatches to Alcibiades, commanding his immediate return to Athens, that he might defend himself against a charge of mutilating the statues of Hermes, and profaning the Eleusinian mysteries. Alcibiades escaped by landing at Thurii, whence he proceeded to Argos, and being condemned to death at Athens, sought an asylum at Sparta, where he persuaded the government to support the Syracusans. Meanwhile, Nicias <sup>c</sup> was victorious in a battle fought under the walls of Syracuse; and the city, being closely invested, was on the eve of surrender, when Gylippus came to its assistance with a Spartan fleet. Nicias also received a reinforcement commanded by Eurymedon and Demosthenes; but the Syracusans, who were now supported by all the Greek cities in Sicily, except Agrigentum, obtained a victory over the Athenian fleet, which they blockaded in the port.

- ( 97) A last attempt to break through the blockading line having  
 A entirely failed, the crews abandoned their vessels, and  
 commencing a retreat by land, were taken prisoners by the  
 enemy. Nicias and Demosthenes were put to death, the  
 prisoners thrown into the stone quarries, and, after seventy  
 days of suffering, the survivors (with the exception of the  
 Athenians, Siceliotes, and Italiotes) were sold as slaves.

### III. THE DECELEAN WAR.

(413—404.)

- 298 Following the advice of Alcibiades, the Spartan army,  
 B under the command of their king Agis, invaded Attica,  
 and fortified Decelēa, which thenceforward became the  
 stronghold from which parties were sent out to ravage the  
 country. At the same time, 20,000 runaway Athenian  
 slaves joined the expedition. The resources of their allies  
 being utterly exhausted, the Athenians were compelled to  
 substitute for the direct tax hitherto paid a duty of five  
 per cent., *ad valorem*, on all articles imported and ex-  
 ported; a grievance which occasioned the revolt of many  
 C of their allies in Asia Minor. Whilst Athens was thus  
 deprived of all those resources which secured to the Demos  
 a majority in the courts of justice and public assemblies,  
 Sparta was receiving subsidies for the war from Tissas-  
 phernes, the Persian lieutenant in Caria. Every disaster  
 was now laid to the charge of the democracy; and the  
 oligarchical faction, whose secret intrigues had been long  
 preparing the way for such a revolution, availed themselves  
 of the absence of those sturdy burghers who were serving  
 in the fleet, and of the utter despair of the multitude, to  
 D overthrow the existing constitution. The supreme au-  
 thority was vested in an oligarchical council of 400, by  
 whom the number of citizens allowed to be present at the  
 popular assemblies was limited to 5000. As the election  
 and convocation of these representatives was entirely de-  
 pendent on the will of the council, the authority of the  
 people became merely nominal, whilst that of the oligarchy  
 was unlimited. By the advice, however, of Thrasybūlus,  
 the men who were serving on board the fleet stationed off  
 Samos, pledged themselves to support the democracy, and  
 recalled Alcibiades, who persuaded Tissaphernes to re-  
 nounce the league with Sparta. It was with difficulty that

the general restrained his army from marching upon (298) Athens; but such a measure was rendered unnecessary by <sup>A</sup> the overthrow of the oligarchical faction, after a reign of four months, in consequence of a suspicion that they had been engaged in a treasonable correspondence with Sparta. The ancient senate resumed its functions; but as the government no longer possessed the means of remunerating a large number of citizens for their attendance at the popular assemblies, the supreme authority still remained in the hands of the 5000.

ALCIBIADES A SECOND TIME COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, 299 411—407.—The Spartan fleet, under Mindärus, which <sup>B</sup> had sailed for the Hellespont in order to join Pharnabazus, satrap of Bithynia, was twice defeated in the neighbourhood of Abydos (off *Κυρὸς σῆμα*), and annihilated off *Cyzicus* by Alcibiades in 410. After subduing the coasts of the Hellespont and Propontis, and taking Chalcēdon and Byzantium, Alcibiades returned in triumph to Athens (407), where he revived the celebration of the Eleusinian mysteries, but was soon deprived of his unlimited command, in consequence of the defeat, during his absence, of his lieutenant Antiöchus by Lysander (near Notium). Alcibiades retired to the Thracian Chersonese; and ten <sup>C</sup> generals, of whom Conon was one, were appointed to succeed him. At Sparta, also, there was a change of commanders-in-chief. Lysander was succeeded as Nauarch by Callicratidas, who, with a superior force, blockaded Conon in the harbour of Mitylēnē, but was defeated by a newly-equipped Athenian fleet off the Arginusian islands, and lost his own life in the engagement.

Of the ten Athenian generals, eight were condemned to death for having neglected to save the shipwrecked seamen after a storm, and to collect the bodies of those who were drowned. Six of them were executed, and the remaining two banished.

Lysander, being again appointed admiral of the Spartan 300 fleet, annihilated that of Athens at *Ægospotamos* (opposite <sup>D</sup> to Lampsacus), in 405. Of the whole force only nine ships were saved, with which Conon effected his escape to Cyprus. He also subjugated all the allies of the Athenians, except Samos, introduced aristocratic constitutions with Spartan magistrates (*Harmostæ*), and blockaded the Piræus; whilst Athens was beleaguered, at the same time,

(300) on the land side by the garrison of Decelēa, under Agis, and a Spartan army, under Pausanias. After a siege of four months, Athens was compelled by famine to capitulate, deliver up her fleet (except twelve ships), dismantle the long walls and the fortifications of Piræus; recall her banished citizens, receive an aristocratic constitution, engage to furnish assistance to the Spartans in all their wars, and place her armies under the command of a Spartan general-in-chief. With the fall of Athens perished also the democratic principle; and for a long period we hear no more of the struggles between the aristocratic and popular parties.

### § 67. *The Hegemony of Sparta.*

301 As many of the Athenian allies during, and in consequence of, the war, had placed themselves under the protection of Sparta (an example which Athens herself was obliged to follow, now that peace was established), the whole of Hellas was in effect subject to an authority, which was soon found to be as odious as it was oppressive, on account of the favour shown to a despotic oligarchy, as well as the establishment of garrisons and Harbosts in all those places which had formerly been in alliance with Athens; and also on account of the extortion practised by the Spartan government. Those states, especially Thebes and Corinth, which had taken a part in the war simply with the view of crushing the dangerous power of Athens, had never intended that Sparta should acquire through their exertions a decided preponderance in Greece. When, therefore, the demand of the Thebans, that Athens should be demolished, was rejected by Sparta, on the ground of her intending to retain it under her own influence, as a barrier against Bœotia, they so far changed their political creed as to advocate the restoration of Athenian democracy and independence, which had previously been the objects of their bitterest hatred.

302 1. THE SUPREMACY OF THE THIRTY AT ATHENS, 404—403.—A change in the constitution was effected by the election, at the instance of Lysander, of thirty men, all taken from the former body of 400, and invested, according to the practice of antiquity, with supreme power during the continuance of their office. As soon as these persons

considered their authority firmly established by the admis- (302)  
 sion into the acropolis of a Spartan garrison, and the dis- A  
 arming of all citizens, except 3000 who were known to  
 be oligarchically inclined, there followed a number of im-  
 peachments, executions (1400? it is said), and banish-  
 ments, at the instigation principally of one Critias, a rene-  
 egade disciple of Socrates. One of their own number,  
 Theramènes, who had been the first to suggest more hu-  
 mane measures, was condemned to death, and compelled to  
 drink poison in prison. Alcibiades, having also become  
 an object of suspicion to the Spartans, was attacked and  
 slain in Phrygia by Pharnabazus, at the instance of Ly-  
 sander. Happily for Athens, the Spartans and Thebans B  
 were now at variance, and Thebes received the Athenian  
 exiles, notwithstanding the prohibition of the Spartans.  
 Under the command of Thrasybūlus, these exiles made  
 themselves masters of the frontier fortress of Phyle, and,  
 having overthrown the troops of the oligarchs, took pos-  
 session also of Piræus, where a battle was fought, in which  
 the Thirty were defeated, and Critias lost his life. The  
 places of the Thirty, most of whom had fled to Eleusis,  
 were supplied by ten oligarchs (one from each Phyle), who  
 were supported by Lysander, and manifested a disposition  
 to reign as despotically as their predecessors. But the C  
 Spartan king Pausanias, being jealous of the reputation of  
 Lysander, now entered into a compact with Thrasybūlus;  
 in consequence of which both the Thirty and the Ten were  
 set aside, a general amnesty proclaimed (from which, how-  
 ever, the Thirty were excluded), and, in place of the de-  
 generate democracy, the laws of Solon were restored in  
 all their purity, with such modifications as a commission  
 appointed for that purpose should deem necessary to meet  
 the wants of more modern times.

2. WAR OF THE SPARTANS WITH THE PERSIANS.—At 303  
 first for the support of the younger Cyrus, and afterwards D  
 for the liberation and protection of the Greeks in Asia  
 Minor (see 90, p. 58).

3. THE CORINTHIAN WAR, 394—387.—For the pur- 304  
 pose of rendering abortive the plans of Agesilæus against  
 the Persian empire, the Persian satrap Tithraustes, suc-  
 cessor of Tissaphernes, availing himself of the universal  
 discontent, succeeded, by means of bribery, in persuading

(304) the democrats in Thebes, Corinth, and Argos, to promote  
A a war with Sparta; the Athenians, although they had received no subsidy from Persia, declaring themselves ready to join the confederacy. That there might be a pretext for the war, the Thebans incited the Opuntian Locrians to make a predatory incursion into the territory of Phocis, and supported them in their undertaking. The Phocians applied for aid to the Lacedæmonians; and Lysander, having joined their army in Bœotia, fell in a skirmish under the walls of Haliartus. As the confederation against the unpopular Hegemony of Sparta was rapidly  
B extending itself, Agesilaus was recalled from Asia. Meanwhile the Lacedæmonians had obtained a victory over the confederates, who had drawn together their forces at Corinth for the purpose of enabling the wavering Peloponnesians to liberate themselves from the Spartan yoke; but their fleet was annihilated by that of Persia, under the command of the Athenian exile Conon (off Cnidus, in 394); in consequence of which almost all the maritime  
C powers joined Pharnabazus and Conon. Agesilæus, concealing this disaster from his army, traversed Thrace without sustaining any considerable interruption on the part of the allies, and obtained a victory at Coronea, whither the allies had detached only a portion of the army which they had assembled at Corinth. Conon and Pharnabazus, having expelled the Spartan Harmosts from the Greek cities of Asia Minor and the islands, sailed for Greece, and ravaged the coasts of Laconia. By means of Persian gold Conon was enabled to rebuild the walls of Athens, and to restore for a short time to his native city the maritime supremacy which had been lost by Sparta and abandoned by the  
D Persians. To withdraw the Persians from their alliance with Athens, the Spartans sent their Nauarch Antalcidas to the Persian court with proposals of peace, engaging to leave the Persian monarch in possession of the Asiatic continent, provided the islands and other Greek states were permitted to be independent. On these terms, the PEACE OF ANTALCIDAS, as it was called, was concluded in the year 387; by means of which Sparta obtained the dissolution of every kind of supremacy exercised by one Grecian city over others [e.g. the Thebans over the Bœotian cities].

In the island of Cyprus, which had been assigned to king Artaxerxes II., king Euagoras maintained himself in Salamis; and the Athenians continued to hold Lemnos, Imbros, and Scyros, which they had taken in the Persian war.

4. THE OLYNTHIAN WAR (383—379).—Olynthus having induced several Greek and Macedonian cities in Chalcidice and Thrace to form a confederacy, into which she was endeavouring to force the recusant cities of Acanthus and Apollonia, the Spartans sent an army into that country; and after carrying on the war for three years (during which they sustained considerable losses), compelled the Olynthians to abandon their conquests, and join the Spartan Symmachia, on condition of retaining their independence.

§ 68. *The War between Thebes and Sparta.*

(378—362.)

In Thebes, where the oligarchical and democratical parties were at that time equally balanced, there stood at the head of affairs, as Polemarchs, in the year 383, the democrat Ismenias, and the oligarch Leontiades. In order to annihilate the democracy, the latter of these leaders persuaded the Spartan general Phœbidas, who had encamped in the vicinity of Thebes, on his march to Olynthus, to attack the city in time of peace, and take possession of the Cadmœa [or citadel of Thebes], which Leontiades was willing to surrender into his hands. Ismenias was put to death; and the rest of the democrats, among whom was Pelopidas, fled to Athens, where they found the same hospitality which the fugitive Athenian democrats had experienced from the Thebans twenty years before. Pelopidas, having called on his companions in exile to assist him in delivering their native city from the dominion of the aristocrats and Spartans, twelve conspirators entered Thebes in disguise, and assassinated the leaders of the aristocratic party during the celebration of a festival; Leontiades being put to death in his own house by his rival Pelopidas. The Spartan garrison in the citadel were compelled, by want of provisions, to capitulate, on condition of being allowed free egress; and the democratic ascendancy was re-established. Soon afterwards the Spartan kings Cleombrotus and Agesilaus appeared in Bœotia at the head of an army, which made repeated incursions into the Theban territory, but with so little success, that the Spartans were advised by their confederates to try their fortune by sea. Here, however, the Spartans found themselves opposed by an Athenian force far superior to their own (the Athenians

(306) having succeeded in forming, on equitable terms, a new  
 A Symmachia of seventy cities). Two victories, gained by  
 the Athenians (at Naxos, under the command of Chabrias,  
 and off the promontory of Leucadia, under Timothëus,  
 the son of Conon), annihilated the Spartan fleet, and se-  
 cured the adherence of those maritime powers which had  
 been previously wavering. Having thus established her  
 authority over the maritime states, Athens now sought to  
 secure it by a general peace, which the Thebans refused to  
 recognize, because they were not permitted to sign the  
 B treaty in the name of the Bœotians. In consequence of  
 this refusal, Bœotia was again invaded by Cleombrotus,  
 who was defeated and slain by Epaminondas (who had  
 concentrated all his strength against the wing commanded  
 by the king), and the sacred band of Pelopidas, on the  
 plain of Leuctra, in 371. This defeat of the Spartans  
 having hastened the defection of their allies in Pelopon-  
 nesus, the Thebans, in the hope of promoting this move-  
 ment, and raising a supremacy of their own on the ruins of  
 Sparta, invaded Peloponnesus, and, in conjunction with the  
 C Arcadians, Argives, and Eleans, prepared to attack Sparta  
 itself. Their cavalry had already advanced as far as the  
 Hippodrome, when the unexpected opposition which they  
 encountered, in addition to the want of provisions and un-  
 favorable season of the year, compelled them to abandon  
 the attempt, in order that their entire force might be avail-  
 able (according to the terms of the peace of Antalcidas), for  
 the re-establishment of Messenian independence. The  
 newly-built cities of Messênê and Megalopölis were in-  
 tended to form with Tegëa and Argos a chain of fortresses,  
 sufficient to restrain the Spartans from any further en-  
 croachments on Peloponnesus; but on the advance of the  
 Athenians, who were unwilling that either Sparta or  
 Thebes should become too powerful, the Theban army was  
 compelled to retire.

D A second invasion of Peloponnesus had no effect beyond securing  
 the accession of Sicyon, an ally it is true of some importance; and  
 a third ended in the temporary subjection of Achaia.

307 In the north the Thebans undertook three several ex-  
 peditions (368—364) against Alexander, the ferocious  
 tyrant of Pheræ, for the purpose of delivering the Thes-  
 salians. In the first campaign their leader Pelopidas was



made prisoner, but was rescued in the second by Epami- (307)  
 nondas, and in the third fell in the moment of victory at <sup>A</sup>  
 CYNOSCEPHALE. The Thebans exerted themselves man-  
 fully to avenge the death of their beloved leader, and  
 compelled the tyrant to conclude a humiliating peace.  
 Soon after the death of Pelopidas, a fourth campaign in  
 Peloponnesus was undertaken by Epaminondas, in con-  
 sequence of dissensions among the Arcadians. Their  
 chief magistrates had begun to employ the treasures of the  
 temple at Olympia for the purpose of paying their  
 mercenary troops; and when a portion of the Arcadians,  
 among whom the Mantineans were most forward, pro-  
 tested against this dishonest practice, had applied for  
 assistance to the Thebans. After a second unsuccessful <sup>B</sup>  
 attempt on Sparta, Epaminondas fell in the battle of  
 MANTINEA, where his troops were victorious (362). In  
 the confusion consequent on the death of their leader, the  
 Thebans made so little use of their victory, that both  
 parties erected trophies. The Greek states were now so  
 thoroughly exhausted, that they were compelled to con-  
 clude a peace, to which Sparta for a long time refused to  
 accede, on account of her unwillingness to recognize the  
 independence of Messenia. Agesilæus died as he was  
 returning from an expedition into Egypt, undertaken for  
 the purpose of putting down an insurrection against the  
 Persians.

§ 69. *The War of the Confederates against Athens.*

(357—355.)

The exaction of a larger amount of tribute from the 308  
 allies provoked the most powerful among them, CHIOS, <sup>C</sup>  
 RHODES, COS, and BYZANTIUM (supported by the Carian  
 king Mausölus II.), to renounce their allegiance to Athens.  
 After a struggle, which lasted three years, the Athenians  
 (who after the death of Chabrias had been commanded by  
 Iphicrâtes and Timotheus), when they found themselves  
 threatened also with war by Artaxerxes III., (against  
 whom Chares had supported the revolted satrap Artabazus,) and saw Philip of Macedonia advancing in his  
 career of victory, were compelled to recognize the inde-  
 pendence of their revolted allies, and remit the tribute.  
 Thus their newly-established (since 377) naval supre-

- (308) macy was a second time annihilated, and Greece lost the assistance of the only state which could have protected her liberties.

§ 70. *The Phocian or Sacred War.*

(355—346.)

309 CAUSES.—Many years before the breaking out of this war, the Phocians had been sentenced by the Amphictyonic council at Delphi to pay a pecuniary mulct, as a punishment for having occupied a tract of land near Cirrha, belonging to the temple of Apollo at Delphi. None however had ventured to enforce the sentence, until the Thebans, who viewed the Phocians in the light of enemies, as being allies of the subjugated Bœotian states, persuaded the Amphictyons to demand payment of the fine. The Phocians, in conjunction with the Spartans, who had also been condemned to pay a fine for their occupation of the Cadmea, now took forcible possession of the temple at Delphi, the superintendence and guardianship of which had formerly been wrested from them by the Delphians, and, as soon as war was declared against them by the Amphictyons, applied the treasures of the temple to the payment of hired troops. On the other hand the Thebans were joined by the Locrians, and almost all the nations of northern Greece.

310 Under the command of their general Philomēlus, the Phocians made head against the Locrians and Thessalians, but were defeated by the Thebans in an engagement in which Philomēlus, to avoid falling into the hands of the enemy, threw himself headlong from a rock. His brother and successor, Onomarchus, was enabled to continue the war by means of fresh funds drawn from the treasury at Delphi. The principal theatre of hostilities was now Thessaly, the Phocians having formed an alliance with the tyrants of Phcraë, the ancient enemies of Thessaly, and the Thessalians on their part having applied for assistance to Philip king of Macedonia. After many vicissitudes, the Phocians were at length compelled to yield to the Thessalian cavalry and Macedonian tactics; Onomarchus was slain in attempting to escape, and the prisoners were thrown into the sea. The treasures of the temple how-

ever were not yet exhausted, and hostilities were still (310 carried on against the Thebans, by the Phocians, under A Phayllus, the brother of their two former leaders, unsuccessfully at first; but subsequently with such decided advantage, that the Thebans were compelled to call in Philip II. of Macedonia. This crafty monarch so completely deceived the Phocians, who had also applied to him for assistance, that many of the Phocian cities voluntarily placed themselves at his disposal, and others were reduced with very little difficulty. By a decree of B the Amphictyonic council (pronounced, it would seem, only by the Thebans, Locrians, and the Thessalian tribes), the Phocian cities were deprived of their walls, the inhabitants dispersed, their arms and horses taken from them, restitution of the Delphic treasure enforced, and the two votes of the Phocians in the Amphictyonic council given to Philip, who was also, in conjunction with the Thessalians and Thebans, charged with the superintendence of the Pythian games.

§ 71. *The War against Philip II. of Macedonia.*

1. ON THE MACEDONIAN COAST.

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In order to obtain possession of the entire coast of his C country, a portion of which was still in the hands of the Athenians, Philip, as long ago as the war of the confederates, had captured Amphipolis and Pydna. Potidæa, which fell into his hands at the same time, was given up to the Olynthians, to prevent the formation of an alliance between Athens and Olynthus, the most powerful city of the Chalcidic peninsula.

2. IN THESSALY.

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The first pretext which Philip found for interfering in the affairs of Greece, was an application of the Thessalians for aid against the tyrants of Pheræ. Philip complied with this request, so far as to co-operate with the Thessalian cities in their attempts to recover their freedom, but permitted the tyrants to remain, that there might still be a necessity for his assistance. The Phocians having formed an alliance with these tyrants, Philip occupied Thessaly, successfully resisted an attack of the Phocians under Onomarchus, held the places which he had captured, and at a later period, after the ruin of the Phocians, and

- (312) the consequent expulsion of the tyrants, treated the country  
A in every respect as a Macedonian province (343).

After his victories over the tyrants and the Phocians, Philip, unable any longer to resist the importunity with which his allies, the Thessalians and Thebans, urged him to annihilate the Phocians, advanced for that purpose as far as Thermopylæ; but finding the pass occupied by an Athenian army, he avoided a battle, contenting himself with having found an excuse for suffering the Phocians to remain, that his friends might still stand in need of his assistance.

### 313 3. ON THE COASTS OF MACEDONIA AND THRACE.

- B Allowing the parties in Greece to wear out one another, Philip directed his chief attention to the conquest of the Grecian maritime cities on the Thracian coast from Byzantium to the borders of Macedonia, and to the creation of a Macedonian navy. The most obstinate resistance was offered by the powerful city of Olynthus, but after the defeat of the weak and ill-appointed force sent out from Athens to its assistance at the instance of Demosthenes, the city was betrayed into the hands of Philip (348), who demolished it with many others, amusing the Athenians meanwhile, through the agency of the bribed orator Æschines, with proposals for the conclusion of a  
C peace. It was not until the end of the Phocian war (comp. § 70), and after Philip had effected a landing in Laconia, and compelled the Lacedæmonians to abandon their design of re-conquering Messenia, that he recommenced his plans of conquest on the Thracian coast with the blockade of Perinthus and Byzantium (341). The capture of both these cities was however prevented by the arrival of an Athenian fleet under the command of Phocion (341).

### 314 4. THE SACRED WAR AGAINST AMPHISSA (339).

- D That he might have a fresh excuse for marching an army into Greece, Philip persuaded the Amphictyons (through his agent Æschines), to impose a fine on the Locrians of Amphiſſa for an alleged desecration in ancient times of a piece of ground belonging to the temple at Delphi, and to intrust him with the execution of their sentence. In consequence of this arrangement, Philip entered Greece at the head of a considerable force, and put an end to the war (by what means does not distinctly appear). The occupation however of Elatæa, the key of

Bœotia, plainly indicated that he had ulterior objects in view.

#### 5. THE DECISIVE STRUGGLE IN BŒOTIA (338).

When the astounding intelligence of the occupation of 315 Elatea reached Athens, none but Demosthenes had the courage to propose the equipment of a fleet and a land force. Proceeding to Thebes, he called on the government to form an alliance with Athens, and pleaded the cause of his country so eloquently, that the Macedonian party and the orator Python (who had been bribed by Philip), were compelled to abandon their opposition. Several other states also joined the confederacy, but the allied army (the Athenians were commanded by Chares and Lysicles), after two successful engagements, was at length overmatched by the Macedonian phalanx (338) near Chæronea, where the young Alexander exterminated the sacred band of the Thebans, and thus decided the fortune of the day. In the first moment of alarm Thebes surrendered to the enemy, and was compelled to receive a Macedonian garrison; Athens, which still held out, was enabled to make terms with the invader, whilst the smaller states hastened to purchase his forbearance; and Philip, at a great national assembly of the Greeks held at Corinth, was elected generalissimo of their armies against the Persians.

#### § 72. *Religion, Literature, &c., of the Greeks.*

The erroneous notion of antiquity, that Greek civilization was 316 derived from Egypt, had its origin partly in the assertions of the priests, who represented the gods of Greece as descended from those of Egypt, in order that they might be themselves considered the instructors of the Greeks, and partly from the propensity of the Greeks to give Grecian names to foreign divinities. There seems to have been no intimate connexion between the two countries until the reigns of Psammetichus and Amasis, nor do we find in Greece the slightest vestige of hieroglyphics, of Egyptian arts, or of the Egyptian race.

RELIGION. The religion of the Greeks consisted originally in the worship of natural objects and influences; but by degrees they began to represent the gods as sentient beings, subject to human passions, and engaged in the same pursuits and occupations as the inhabitants of earth. This prosopopœia, which in a great measure owed its existence

(317) to the poets Homer and Hesiod, as well as to the artists  
 A of Greece, formed the popular religion; whilst the ancient  
 symbolical system existed almost exclusively as a priestly  
 religion in the mysteries, i. e. in those secret acts of  
 worship to which none but the initiated were admitted.  
 Yet even in the midst of this polytheism, we find some  
 traces of a belief in one supreme being; as exhibited in  
 the notion of an inevitable fate (*αἶσα, μοῖρα*), to which the  
 gods themselves are subject, and of the supreme dominion  
 B of Zeus. According to popular belief the residence of  
 this god was on the summit of Mount Olympus, which  
 pierces the brazen vault of heaven (*οὐρανός*), the lower  
 peaks of the mountain being occupied by the rest of the  
 gods. The various national divinities of the different  
 tribes were amalgamated at a very early period into  
 one body composed of twelve OLYMPII or NATIONAL  
 DEITIES.

318 1. *Zeus* [*Jupiter*], the supreme, most powerful, and wise being  
 C (*ὑπατορ, ὑψιστορ.—μητρίτης*), the king and father of gods and men,  
 watches over all the concerns of mankind, especially over hospitality,  
 oaths, and the relief of suppliants (hence called *Zeῦς ξένιος, ὄρκιος,*  
*ἱεῖσιος, &c.*), and holds in his hands, as god of heaven, the ægis, and  
 the lightning. Tradition represents many heroes as descended from  
 Zeus, for the purpose of increasing their renown—hence the legends  
 of his numerous wives and children, and of the jealousy of *Hērē* [*Juno*].  
 To this god of the heavens was united, but not as a being of the same  
 rank, a goddess of the earth, named by the Dorians 2. *Here*, and by  
 the Ionians 3. *Demētēr* or *Païa*, who bears him *Persephōne* (that is,  
 the earth, rendered fruitful by the sky, brings forth corn). This  
 daughter, being carried off by Pluto, passes one half of the year  
 with her husband, the other with her mother (i. e. the corn is at first  
 concealed in the bosom of the earth, then springs forth and ripens).  
 Demeter herself teaches the art of agriculture to *Triptolemus*, son  
 of the king of Eleusis, to whom she also gives a code of laws—hence  
 D her feast is called *Thesmophoria*. The gods of heaven and earth  
 are accompanied by the deities of light, who were believed to be  
 children of Zeus; 4. *Athēnē*; 5. *Apollōn*; 6. *Artēmīs*. *ATHENE*  
 bears some relation to fire and light, physical (hence *γλαυκῶπις*) as  
 well as moral—hence she is named the goddess of understanding and  
 wisdom, and in that character springs from the brain of Zeus. She is  
 also connected with the element of water, whence her name *Tritogeneia*,  
 and the legend of her contest with *Poseidōn* [*Neptune*]. Both these  
 elements, the warm and the moist, are employed in making the earth  
 bring forth: thus *Athene* becomes the goddess of the harvest and of  
 fertility, and her son is named *Erichthonius*. She is also the goddess  
 of war, and presides over works of female skill. *APOLLON* and *ARTE-*  
*MIS*, twin children of Zeus and *Leto* (i. e. darkness), born on mount  
*Cythus* in *Delos*, are the deities of light, the sun and moon.

Hence Apollon is called Phœbus, and an eternal fire is maintained on his altar. Artemis is drawn with a torch and crescent. Their rays were compared to arrows, and for that reason they were represented also as deities of the chase (hence Ἄπ. ἐκηβόλος, ἀργυρότοξος). Apollon is not only the god of destruction, but also of healing (hence παιών, ἀλεξικάκος, the father of Asclepios). In reference to the effects of light, the destruction of grain by smut (Ἄπ. ἰρυθιβίος), and even by mice (Σμινθεύς), is ascribed to Apollon. He is the god of intellectual, as well as physical, light; hence to him is ascribed the gift of prophecy, but as a deliverer of oracles he is ambiguous (hence λοξίας). He is also the god of poetical inspiration, of song and music, and the leader of the Muses. In this view of the universe, the elements of fire and water have of course their place. Thus Poseidon (7) denotes both the sea and the fresh water in the deep recesses of earth; and Hephaistos [Vulcan] (8) the terrestrial fire (on and in the earth), the origin of which from celestial fire is poetically represented by the hurling down of Hephaistos from heaven to earth. The fertility of the vine on volcanic soils gave occasion to the fable which connects Hephaistos with wine as the cup-bearer of the gods; and on account of the agency of fire in the working of metals, he is represented as a blacksmith famous for the production of works in steel (the shield of Achilles). 9. Hermes [Mercury], perhaps, originally, a symbol of the generation of animals, is known as protector of the herds, and especially of flocks of sheep; and also as messenger of the gods and guardian of the streets (hence the Hermæ). In an intellectual sense, he is represented as the inventor of the lyre and of gymnastics, and the protector of trade; and in the last of these characters is shrewd, cunning, and even inclined to theft. 10. Hestia [Vesta], or the deified conception of the hearth, as the centre of the house, and place of assemblage for the family. 11. Ares [Mars], or the personification of war. 12. Aphroditē [Venus], or the personified idea of love and enjoyment; a divinity borrowed from the Phœnicians. Different classes had their respective deities; thus the goat-herds and vine-dressers paid especial honour to Dionysos [Bacchus], who, as god of the Spring, clothes the fields with flowers, and makes the herds bring forth their young; and, as god of Autumn, fills the vats with wine, a union of the two legends respecting his birth (from the thigh of Zeus, and from Sémèle, the daughter of Cadmus). Hence he is called Dithyrambus. In his spiritual character, he appears as a prophet, as the god of the dead (Zagreus), and the protector of democracy.

The inferior classes of deities were: 1. The *Dæmōnes*, who were either aboriginal local divinities; deified natural objects, the gods of the river, the mountain, and the forest; or abstract ideas personified, as Τύχη, Ψυχή, Ἥβη, Αἰδώς, Φήμη, Εἰρήνη, Θάνατος, Φόβος, the Erinnyes, or Eumenīdēs, &c. 2. The *heroes*, or mortals deified after death, and termed demigods. These were either founders of entire tribes, who were also believed to be the sons of

(319) gods, as Hercules, &c., or patrons of particular crafts, as  
 A Dædalus, the hero of architects, &c. The notion of a life after death produced the deities of the lower world, Pluton or Hades, and the three Mæræ (Clotho, Lachësis, and Atröpos).

The worship of their gods consisted principally in sacrifices, which were either offerings of prayer and thanksgiving, or sin-offerings, and were celebrated by the priests either in the open air, on the tops of mountains, in forests and groves, or in temples, especially on the occasion of certain festivals, such as the great national games, the Panathenæa, Thesmophoria, Eleusinia, Dionysia, &c.  
 B The offerings were either living victims, sometimes single, sometimes in great numbers, (Hecatombs,) or inanimate objects, as fruits, wine, honey, milk, frankincense, &c., and in the earliest times, human victims, for which, however, beasts were very soon substituted. Their other modes of honouring the gods were by short forms of prayer, uttered standing and with outstretched arms, by votive offerings, solemn processions, and religious dances. Besides these modes of propitiating the gods and turning away their wrath, men believed also that they could obtain revelations of the Divine will, either immediately from the oracles, of which the most renowned were those of Zeus at Dodōna, and of Apollo at Delphi : or mediately through the *ιερείς*, from the inspection of entrails, through the *μάντις*, from the flight and song of certain birds, and from atmospheric phenomena, and through the *ὄνειροπόλος*, from dreams.

### 320 2. CONSTITUTION.

c For the constitution of the heroic age see § 55 ; and for that of the second period § 58.

In the third period both the external and internal relations of Greece received from the Persian wars a character which they retained during the succeeding age. The line of demarcation between Greeks and barbarians was more distinctly traced, the necessity for adopting common measures of defence produced offensive and defensive alliances, and in place of the old loose unions, more extended Hegemonies were introduced ; the effect of which was, that in all political movements each nation bore a part either voluntarily, or by compulsion. In their internal policy great changes were produced by the almost contemporaneous expulsion of tyrants from



the different states. At Athens the constitution of Solon (320) was restored (with a few alterations by Clisthenes, see A § 61, and Aristides, § 63). In many states (as Argos, Mantinea, Elis, Megara, Corinth, Syracuse, &c.) democracy was for the first time introduced; in others, the aristocracy degenerated into oligarchy, as, for example, in Sparta and Thebes, the two strongholds of the oligarchical system; and also in Thessaly, Corinth, Sicyon, &c. From the breaking out of the Peloponnesian war these two forms of government were placed in a state of antagonism, which not only produced wars between different states, but also created civil disturbances in many of the Grecian cities. The oligarchical system was at its greatest height during the Hegemony of Sparta, at the conclusion of the Peloponnesian war, oligarchical constitutions being introduced by the Spartans wherever they had any influence (in the western parts of Asia Minor, and at Athens, Elis, Corinth, and Thebes). These constitutions, however, lasted a very short time. The expulsion from Thebes of the oligarchical party and the Spartan garrison, and still more the battle of Leuctra, were the signal for a general rising against Sparta; and the extension of democracy became, at the same time, an essential part of the policy of Thebes, which was now straining every nerve to obtain the Hegemony. In the end, discord, cowardice, treason, and supineness prepared Greece to receive the yoke of a foreign master.

### 3. LITERATURE.

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#### A. *Poetry.*

Epic poetry, and then lyric, first flourished in the colonies of Western Asia Minor; dramatic poetry first developed itself about the year 500, in the mother country, chiefly at Athens.

a. *EPIC POETRY.* Before the days of Homer the only poems of this description were short ballads, descriptive of single deeds or adventures. By him the plan of the epic poem was fully developed, so as to comprise, in addition to the story of the principal heroes, the characters and actions of a large circle of the most remarkable secondary personages. The *Iliad* and *Odyssey*, the most perfect epic poems ever produced, were made known to the world by the Rhapsodists, a school of minstrels at Chios, and at a later period (in the time of Pisistratus) were copied out

- (322) and edited by the Diaskeuastæ at Alexandria. The so-called Homeric hymns, employed by the Rhapsodists as introductions to their poetical recitations, are, for the most part, the work of the *Homeridæ*. The poetry of Homer produced a crowd of imitators, *cyclic poets*, as they were called, (between 800 and 500,) some of whom sang the other events of the heroic age, (for example, the war against Thebes,) whilst others wrote continuations of the *Iliad* and *Odyssey*. Contemporaneously with the minstrel school of the *Homeridæ* at Chios, there flourished another in Bœotia, at the head of which was Hesiod of Ascrea.
- B Three of his epic poems are still extant; two of which are mythological, viz., 1. *θεογονία*, a work of the highest importance in a religious point of view, as being the standard authority for all representations of the gods, their peculiarities, family connexions, &c., and 2. the *ἀσπὶς Ἡρακλέους*; and one of a didactic character, *ἔργα καὶ ἡμέραι*.
- 323 b. LYRIC POETRY, intended to be sung with a lyre or c flute accompaniment, developed itself in the seventh century, B. C., contemporaneously with the rise of republicanism. It comprehends a variety of species, and many different metres. The invention of the *elegiac* measure, which differs very little from the epic, is generally ascribed to CALLĪNUS (about 660), who, like his contemporary TYRTÆUS, was chiefly famous for his warlike elegies. In proportion as the Ionians, among whom this style of poetry flourished, became less warlike and more effeminate, so did the elegy lose its political character, which is feebly exhibited in the poems of MIMNERMUS, but resumes its original strength in the elegies of SOLON at Athens. To the elegy belong, as regards their contents and form, the remains of THEOGNIS, which consist of mere fragments cited from his works by other writers without any regular connexion. The last of the great elegiac poets is SIMONIDES of Ceos, whose elegy in honour of the Greeks who fell at Marathon was preferred to that of Æschylus. The elegiac is also the metre most commonly employed for the *Epigram*, perhaps because monumental inscriptions (the most usual form of epigrams among the Greeks) were intimately connected with songs of lamentation. Those of the most distinguished epigrammatic poet, SIMONIDES of Ceos, were, in fact, principally inscriptions

for the tombs of the heroes who fell in the Persian wars. (323)  
 The custom observed at certain religious festivals of attack-  
 ing one another in scurrilous lampoons, called iambi, gave  
 occasion to ARCHILOCHUS (a contemporary of Callinus) to  
 frame a new species of poetry, which received the name of  
*Iambic*. It was distinguished from the epic and elegiac,  
 not only by its different metre, but by a style more nearly  
 approaching to prose. The *Lyric poetry* of the Greeks, in  
 its more restricted sense, is divided into the *Æolic*, which  
 was intended for recitation by a single performer, with the  
 accompaniment of a stringed instrument, and appropriate  
 movements of the body; and the *Doric*, which was sung  
 to the dancing of the chorus. The latter had its strophes,  
 which were often very elaborate, together with its anti-  
 strophes and epodes; whilst the former had either no  
 strophes at all, or only such as were of a very simple cha-  
 racter, containing few verses, all in the same metre, and  
 uninterrupted by epodes. The subject matter was also  
 different; the choral lyric endeavouring to bring before the  
 audience, by means of the whole chorus, objects of public  
 and general interest, whilst the *Æolic* gave expression to  
 individual feelings and opinions. The most distinguished  
 poets of the *Æolic* school were Lesbians. ALCÆUS (about  
 600), and his contemporary SAPPHO, to whom we may  
 also add ANACREON. The Doric choral poetry developed  
 itself under ALCMAN and STESICHORUS, and attained per-  
 fection under IBYCUS and SIMONIDES (also elegiac poets)  
 and especially under PINDAR (522—442). Of the various  
 styles of lyric poetry, strictly so-called, in which Pindar  
 distinguished himself, nothing has reached us except his  
 hymns of victory or Epinicia, which are well calculated, by  
 the richness of invention which they display, the elegance  
 of their composition, and the variety of form and style, to  
 create a favorable opinion of the writer's poetical talent.

c. DRAMATIC POETRY.—The choral hymns (Dithy-  
 ramb), chanted at the Dionysia, first assumed the form of  
 tragedy, when Thespis (of Athens, about 540) inter-  
 mingled with them the representation (δρᾶμα, ἐπεισόδιον)  
 of a story or plot by a single actor (ὑποκρίτης), who was  
 separated from the chorus, and played many parts suc-  
 cessively in the same piece. This action or Epeisodion was  
 made the principal feature of the entertainment by Æschyl-

- (324) **A** **ÆSCHYLUS** an Athenian (525—456), who added a second actor, and thus became the founder of the dramatic dialogue. At every dramatic contest in which he was engaged, **Æschylus** brought forward three tragedies, which formed a whole, and were succeeded by a satyric drama. In these trilogies we find the most striking myths dramatically worked out in such a manner as to excite the astonishment and delight of the Greeks, as they became aware of the part played by the gods in their early history. **SOPHOCLES** (495—406), introduced a third actor, and made the action, even more than **Æschylus** had done, a principal part of the drama, by shortening the songs of the chorus; his object being to represent the feelings of the personages actually engaged in the plot, rather than the impression made by its events on **B** more spectators. He also followed the custom of introducing three tragedies and a satyric drama at each representation; but these, as far as their subject matter was concerned, were in fact not one long poem, but four distinct works. **EURIPIDES**, who, according to the received account, was born in the island of Salamis on the day of the battle (more probably in the year 482, or 481), and died a few months before **Sophocles**, introduced a twofold innovation as regarded the form of the tragedy. In the first place, the audience, by means of a *prologue*, were informed of previous events down to the very moment at which the action of the tragedy begins; and secondly, the knot of dramatic entanglement, instead of being unravelled, was severed by the appearance of a "*deus ex machina*." **C** The mythical traditions of antiquity, in which **Æschylus** recognized the exalted workings of divine power, and **Sophocles** discovered matter for the most profound reflections on human events, were treated by the philosophical **Euripides** almost as if he desired to expose their folly, by stripping his heroes of all ideal greatness, and representing them with the petty passions and weaknesses of ordinary mortals.

- 325 **D** One degenerate offspring of tragedy was the **SATYRIC DRAMA**, which formed a sort of connecting link between it and comedy; and was generally introduced, with its chorus of satyrs and Silenuses, after the conclusion of the tragic trilogy. Although this practice was antecedent to **Æschylus**, and retained its place as long as tragedy

flourished at Athens, only *one* complete piece is extant, (325) in the Cyclops of Euripides. The OLD COMEDY, as it is A called, which derived its origin from songs sung during the revels (κῶμοι) of the Dionysia, was moulded into a more artistical form in the fifth century, B. C., by the exertions of Epicharmus in Sicily, and Cratinus, Eupolis, and especially ARISTOPHANES, at Athens. The last of these poets, who flourished between 427 and 338, has left us in his comedies (of which eleven out of fifty-four are extant) a very correct representation of Athenian manners, couched in bitter and often ribaldrous satire. During the reign of B the thirty at Athens (404) all satirical notice of living characters, as well as the representation on the stage of contemporaneous events, was strictly prohibited; a regulation which produced what is called the Middle Comedy. In this species of drama the poet exposed, in the form of a mythic plot, the follies of different ranks and classes, or exercised his wit on the literary absurdities of the day.

#### B. Prose.

a. History. That so intellectual a people as the 326 Greeks remained for so many centuries without feeling c the want of an accurate record of their history, is explained by the fact, that between the occurrence of those events of the mythical age which were celebrated by their epic poets, and the breaking out of the Persian wars, no enterprize whatever was undertaken by the combined nations of Greece. As in epic and lyric poetry and philosophy, so also in history, the first ground seems to have been broken by the Ionians; hence the most ancient prose dialect is the Ionic. The compilers of history, antecedent to Herodotus (generally termed Logographi), contented themselves with giving the results of their geographical and statistical researches, especially in the east, without any attempt at arrangement, or historical description. Hero- D dotus, on the contrary, by interweaving episodical notices of oriental countries, and their inhabitants, with his history of the great struggle between the east and west, has succeeded in producing an animated picture of the two contending masses. Throughout the whole work we recognize also the pervading idea of a just Providence, which assigns to every man his path of duty, and the limits within which it behoves him to confine himself; and punishes

(326) with ruin and destruction the inordinate acquisition of  
 A riches or power. The first, and at the same time, the most complete, description of contemporaneous events, is that given by Thucydides, in his history of the Peloponnesian war,—a work unrivalled for perspicuity, truth, and accuracy, as well as for the admirable delicacy and acuteness displayed in its delineations of character. His successor, Xenophon, is inferior to Thucydides as a descriptive writer; but there seems little or no foundation for the heavy charge brought against him by modern critics, of being intentionally a partizan of Sparta.

327 b. ELOQUENCE.—Although addresses to the people were  
 B common at a very early period of Grecian history, as we learn from the speeches of Homer's kings, eloquence seems to have been cultivated as a political science only at Athens. The orations of Periclēs are especially worthy of remark, for the extraordinary depth and vigour of thought which they display, as well as for the manner in which single events are reduced to general principles. The grandeur of his conceptions, their ready adaptation to every possible contingency, and the majestic repose of his style, obtained for him the epithet of "the Olympian."  
 C The cultivation of rhetoric as an art originated with the sophists; among whom those of Hellas Proper aimed principally at correctness, whilst those of Sicily (as Gordias) considered elegance of style the chief excellence of an oration. The union of natural power (possessed in the highest degree by Pericles), with the rhetorical studies of the sophists, produced that elaborate eloquence of the senate and the bar of which we find examples in the *ten Attic orators*. Among these, LYSIAS, by his Epitaphios, created a new style of eloquence, viz., the oratory of display, as it has been termed (ἐπιδεικτικὸν or πανηγυρικὸν γένος), distinguished from all other sorts by having no  
 D practical object. The composition of these panegyrical orations was rendered more elaborate, and their style improved, by ISOCRATES, a distinguished teacher of eloquence. The powers of judicial and political oratory are exhibited in their fullest development in the contest between ÆSCHINES, the advocate of Macedonian interests (393—317), and his irreconcilable adversary DEMOSTHENES (385—322), who for fourteen years employed the art, which he

had acquired with so much labour, in resisting the aggressions of Philip II.

c. PHILOSOPHY was first cultivated in the colonies of western Asia Minor and Lower Italy; in the former, in the Ionic school of Thales, one of the seven wise men, whose reputation seems to have been founded rather on their practical activity, as statesmen and advisers of the people, than on their philosophical speculations; in the latter, in the Pythagorean and Eleatic schools (those of Pythagoras and Xenophanes). The ancient or *natural* philosophers (*οἱ φυσικοί*), as they were termed, were succeeded by the Sophists, who taught principally the art of dialectics invented by Zeno the Eleatic, and its application to rhetoric. Their abuse of this art was resisted by Socrates (469—399), who employed the peculiar (*interrogative*) method termed from him the Socratic. This philosopher endeavoured by precept and example to stem the torrent of immorality, and to give men, by means of familiar conversations, more just conceptions of themselves, their knowledge, and their duties (hence he is known as the founder of Ethics). Notwithstanding, however, his endeavours to promote the welfare of mankind, he was held up to ridicule by Aristophanes, in his comedy of 'the Clouds,' as the representative of the Sophists; and being accused of corrupting the Athenian youth, was sentenced to drink poison. His doctrines are preserved in the writings of his disciples Xenophon and Plato (429—347), the founder of the Academic school. For their development in a scientific form we are indebted to the philosophy of Aristotle (384—322), the founder of the Peripatetic school (at the Lyceum at Athens); by which the first outline of a system of logic was traced, and a philosophical terminology created.

d. The earliest traces of MATHEMATICAL SCIENCE are found in the geographical and astronomical labours of several philosophers.

e. MEDICINE, being closely connected with religion, was for a long time entirely in the hands of the priesthood. Pythagoras, indeed, made an attempt to introduce it into ordinary life; but this object was not fully attained until the time of Hippocrates (460—370), the real founder of the healing art.

#### 4. ART.

a. The *architecture* of the Greeks was at first of the rudest character—colossal blocks of stone, which in the

- (329) most ancient times were not even hewn, were piled on one another, without mortar, until they formed massive walls. This style was called the Cyclopian. Vestiges of it may still be seen in the remains of walls at Tiryns and Argos, and in the gate of the lions at Mycēnæ, which is set in a wall of this description. Our notices of the sacred architecture of the heroic age are few and obscure; but, on the other hand, we are fully acquainted with the arrangements of their palaces from the descriptions of Homer (e.g. that of the palace of Odysseus [*Ulysses*]), and there still exist fragments of the *treasuries* that were connected with such palaces; for instance, those of the treasury of Atreus at Mycēnæ. The most important architectural monuments of antiquity are the temples of the gods, in which we discover the development of the Grecian column, for the most part in two forms, the Doric and Ionic. Immediately in front of the temple were the Propylæa, forming an entrance to the sacred enclosure, by which the temple was surrounded; then succeeded colonnades appropriated to different objects (e.g. halls of justice, gymnasia, &c.), and at a still greater distance were inclosures for sports and combats, stadia, hippodromes, theatres, music-halls (ὠδεδῖα), &c.
- c The most ancient of the architectural monuments still in existence are found in the Doric colonies in Sicily (Selinus and Agrigentum), in Magna Græcia (at Pæstum), and in the Ionic colonies of Asia Minor (the temples of Juno at Samos, and of Diana at Ephesus). Those of the most flourishing period of Grecian architecture may be seen at Athens (the Parthēon, the Propylæa, the Erechthēum), at Eleusis (the temple of Demēter), at Olympia (the temple of Zeus), and in the Ionic colonies of Asia Minor (the temples of Athēnē at Priēnē, and of Apollo at Milētus).
- 330 b. *Sculpture* produced at a very early period ornamental works in metal (the shield of Achilles); earthen vessels with paintings burnt into the clay; and, above all, statues of the gods, which at first were of wood, covered with real garments, then of brass and marble, and at the period of their greatest perfection (after the Persian wars) also of gold and ivory. The ornaments of the temple afforded also an ample field for the sculptor's art. These at first consisted of splendid votive offerings, vessels and



other furniture with relievos, some of which were of (330) colossal dimensions and rich materials; and, at a later period, A of groups of statues, representing mythological scenes. When art no longer confined itself to religious representations, but selected also subjects from public and private life, its productions became so numerous that even hamlets and villages had their collections. The most distinguished masters in sculpture were, Phidias, who executed in gold and ivory the statues of Zeus at Olympia, and of Athênē in the Parthēnon at Athens, and the colossal image of Athene in the acropolis of Athens, in brass—Polyclētus, Myron, Scopas, Praxitēles, and Lysippus.

c. *Painting* was for a long time confined to the deli- 331 neation of figures on earthenware, and was consequently B considered subordinate to sculpture, until the age of Pericles, and especially the fourth century B.C., when it was raised to the rank of an independent art by Polygnōtus, Zeuxis, and Parrhasius, and attained the highest degree of perfection under Apelles, in the reign of Alexander the Great. His works consisted partly of frescoes, and partly of painted tablets.

#### 5. TRADE.

The trade of the Greeks in the heroic age was merely 332 *passive*. They permitted the commerce of the Phœni- c cians, who brought them not only the products of their own manufacturing industry, but also those of Ethiopia, Arabia, India, and other foreign countries (electron<sup>1</sup>, for instance). At a very early period, however, the Cretans and Phæacians were notorious for their sea-voyages and acts of piracy. The Phœnicians being gradually sup- D planted, and piracy in a great measure suppressed, the trade became *active*, and was carried on principally by Corinth, Sicyon, Ægina, Athens, the Cyclādes, and the Ionian colonies, and promoted by the establishment of colonies and by commercial leagues and religious unions.

*Principal branches of Greek commerce:—*

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1. Between the Grecian states themselves.
2. Between the mother country and its colonies.
3. To foreign countries—*a. Eastward* to the coasts of Asia Minor, and thence into the interior as far as Cappadocia and Pontus.

<sup>1</sup> According to Hüllman, the term "electron" signifies, in Homer and Hesiod, not amber, but precious stones in general.

- (333) *b. North-eastward* to Thrace, the Propontus, the Bospörus, the Pontus Euxinus, and from the cities on its northern shore (Dioscurias and Olbia) to the interior of Sarmatia. *c. Southwards* to Cyprus, Egypt (the Hellenion, originally a merely religious but afterwards a commercial union, founded by Naucratis as an emporium), Cyrène, and thence into the interior of Africa. *d. Northwards* to the Ionic and Adriatic sea, and from Epidaurus into the interior of Illyria. *e. Westward* to Italy, Spain, and Gaul.

*Principal articles.*—1. Of import:—Grain from the colonies on the Cimmerian Bospörus in Egypt and Sicily—timber from Thrace and Macedonia—ivory from Africa—slaves from Phrygia, Thrace, and the countries of Scythia and the Caucasus—linen and papyrus from Egypt. 2. Of export:—Wine, oil, honey, wax, works in metal, &c.

## II. THE MACEDONIANS.

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

- 334 Diodörus, in seventeen books.—Arrian (see § 50).—Plutarch, in his Biographies of Demosthenes and Alexander the Great.—Curtius de rebus gestis Alexandri Magni, 3—10, B.—Some of the orations of Demosthenes and Æschines.—A few notices in Herodotus, Thucydides, and Justin.

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### § 73. Geography of Macedonia.

- 335 **BOUNDARIES.**—Macedonia, as the term was originally understood, or Emathia, extended from Mount Olympus to the mouth of the Lydias; consequently that portion of it which bordered on the Thermaic gulf was a mere narrow strip of land. But as the power of the Macedonian kings increased, the term obtained a wider signification; and in the days of Alexander the Great was taken to indicate the whole country, bounded on the west by the lake Lynchnitis, on the north by the Scardian mountains, on the east by the Nestus, and on the south by the Macedonian or Olympian chain, and the Ægean sea. As a Roman province, Macedonia comprised also Thessaly and a part of Illyria.
- 336 **MOUNTAINS.**—In the south the Macedonian, or Olympian range (also Cambunii Montes); in the west, north, and

east, several branches of the Scardus. Mount Athos, on the peninsula of Acte.

**WATERS.**—The Thracian sea, with the Strymonic and 337 Thermaïc gulfs, enclosing the peninsula of Chalcidice, <sup>A</sup> which is again divided into three smaller peninsulas, formed by the Singitic and Toronaïc gulfs. The names of these peninsulas were Acte, Sithonia, and Pallēnē.—The lake Lychnitis.

**RIVERS.**—*a.* Flowing into the Strymonic gulf, the 338 Nestus, and Strymon; *b.* into the Thermaïc gulf, the Axios, and Haliacmon.

**CITIES.**—1. Pydna (battle in 168). 2. Pella, the ca- 339 pital, and residence of the sovereign. 3. Thessalonica <sup>B</sup> (formerly Therma—now Salonichi—the place of Cicero's exile), built by Cassander. 4. Potidæa, on the isthmus of Pallēne. 5. Olynthus, destroyed by Philip II. 6. Amphipolis, on the Strymon, an Athenian colony (battle in 422). 7. Philippi, formerly Crenides (battle in 42).

#### § 74. *History of Macedonia to the Reign of Philip II.*

There exist two traditions respecting the establishment 340 of the Macedonian monarchy; neither of which, however, <sup>C</sup> asserts more than the fact that the kings of Macedonia were descended from Hercules. 1. The Temenide (and consequently Heraclide) Carānus of Argos conquered Edessa in Emathia, and named it Ægæ. 2. Perdiccas, also a Temenide from Argos, in conjunction with his two brothers, made himself master of Emathia.

By degrees the whole of the sea-coast, from the frontiers of Thessaly to the Axios, fell into the hands of the Heraclide kings, who exercised also a certain authority over the petty barbarian sovereigns in the interior. The first continuous notices of Macedonian history commence with the subjection of the country to the Persians by Mardonius, B.C. 490<sup>1</sup>.

The Macedonian king Alexander, who was compelled <sup>D</sup> to take a part in the expedition of Xerxes against Greece,

<sup>1</sup> King Amyntas I. had already given earth and water, the emblems of submission, to Megabazus, the Persian satrap of Thrace; but Macedonia remained free from Persian dominion until the year 490.

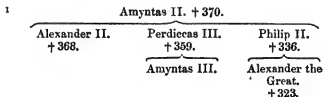
(340) was employed ineffectually by Mardonius as an ambassador  
 A to the Athenians, to whom he betrayed the barbarians' plan of operations before the battle of Plataeæ. The retreat of Mardonius in 479 liberated Macedonia, as well as Greece. The next king, Perdiccas II., at the commencement of his reign, was an ally of the Athenians; but when they supported his rebellious brother Philip, and the Thracian king Sitalces, in their opposition to his government, he went over to their enemies, promoted the rising of the Chalcidians (Potidæa) in the Peloponnesian war,  
 B and formed an alliance with Brasidas. His son Archelâus improved the condition of the country by his promotion of agriculture, the encouragement which he gave to literary and scientific Greeks (Euripides lived at his court), the construction of public highways, fortification of the cities, discipline of the army, &c. His death was succeeded by a gloomy period of confusion and revolution, which lasted until the time of Philip II.; who availed himself of his influence, as guardian of his nephew, Amyntas III., to assume the reins of government in the year 359.

- 341 CONSTITUTION OF MACEDONIA DURING THIS PERIOD.—The king was  
 C commander-in-chief, high priest, and chief justice; but in all questions which concerned the general welfare he was bound by the votes of his nobles, and was also obliged to share the judicial authority with his people. Under Alexander the Great this power was exercised by the army.

### § 75. *Philip II.*

(359—336.)

- 342 The Thebans (Pelopidas) having settled the disputed succession in Macedonia by the partition of the kingdom between two claimants, Philip<sup>1</sup> (son of Amyntas II.) was



sent as a hostage for the observance of the treaty to (342) Thebes; where, during a residence of three years in the <sup>A</sup> house of Epaminondas, he not only received a *Greek* education, but acquired a thorough knowledge of the Theban tactics, and of the fearful jealousies which existed between the different states of Greece. After the dissolution of this compact by the assassination of one of the claimants to the throne, Philip returned to Macedonia, where he was invested with a petty principality. On the succession, however, of Amyntas III., the infant son of Perdiccas III., the empire being threatened by the neighbouring barbarians (Illyrians, Pæonians, and Thracians), and two other pretenders to the crown having raised the standard of rebellion, Philip assumed the office of protector, overthrew both the pretenders, beat back the barbarians, and himself ascended the throne. We have no minute account of these occurrences.

Thenceforward the grand object of Philip seems to have <sup>B</sup> been the subjugation of the Persian empire. With this view, he not only increased the efficiency of the army by the introduction of the Macedonian phalanx—the terrific power of which consisted in its close ranks, the heavy armour of the men, and their long spears—but also endeavoured to make himself master of the coasts of Thrace (that they might serve as means of communication with the countries which he intended to conquer), and to acquire over the Grecian states a Hegemony, which should place their forces at his disposal. For an account of the manner in which this object was gradually attained see 312, sqq.

Scarcely, however, had this Hegemony been acquired, <sup>C</sup> and the advanced guard of the army commenced its march into Asia, when the king was assassinated, on coming out of the theatre at Ægæ, by one Pausanias, whose complaint of having received ill-treatment from a member of the royal family had been contemptuously dismissed by Philip.

### § 76. *Alexander the Great.*

(336—323.)

Alexander, born in the year B.C. 356, on the same night in 343 which Herostrātus set fire to the temple of Artēmis [*Diana*], <sup>D</sup> at Ephesus, was scarcely 20 years old, when he ascended the throne. His education had been superintended by

(343) Aristotle (cf. 328, c), from whom he had acquired a taste for  
 A poetry, especially for the compositions of Homer. The first acts of his reign were to punish the murderers of his father; and remove certain pretenders to the throne, who disputed the legitimacy of his birth. On receiving information that the Greeks, at the instigation of Demosthenes, had refused to recognize his Hegemony, Alexander suddenly appeared in Greece, at the head of an army, and at the *συνέδριον*, at Corinth, was chosen commander-in-chief of the forces destined to act against the Persians, all the states, except Lacedæmon, being thoroughly humbled, and concurring in the election.

B Lest however his plans should be disconcerted by the breaking out of fresh disturbances, he compelled the Greeks to conclude a general peace with each other, and with the Macedonians; the settlement of their disputes being referred to a Synedrion, which seems to have sat at Corinth during the whole of Alexander's reign.

344 An expedition was now undertaken against the Thracians, Triballi, and Getæ, who had manifested symptoms of a desire to regain their independence; and Alexander, having advanced beyond the Ister and accomplished his object, was returning, having, in his march homewards, subdued the Illyrians and Taulantians, when intelligence reached him, that fresh disturbances had broken out in Greece, in  
 c consequence of a false report of his death. Thebes, which, in spite of the freedom and independence guaranteed by her ally, was still occupied by a Macedonian garrison, had revolted. Within twelve days Alexander appeared before the place, overthrew the Thebans in a pitched battle, and having obtained a decree of the Synedrion at Corinth, demolished the city, with the exception of the Cadmæa, the temples and the house of Pindar, and sold the surviving inhabitants (30,000) into slavery.

345 His campaign against the Persians. Having left  
 D Antipater as regent in Macedonia, Alexander undertook the conquest of the *Persian empire*, which intestine weakness had already brought to the verge of dissolution. In the spring of 334, a Macedonian force of 30,000 infantry, and 5000 cavalry, crossed the Hellespont, and overthrew the satraps of Darius and the Greek mercenaries under Memnon, a Rhodian, on the banks of the Granicus, where Clitus saved the life of Alexander. As he advanced along the western coast of Asia Minor, he was hailed as

their deliverer from Persian tyranny by the inhabitants of (345) the Greek towns, to whom he granted independence, on <sup>A</sup> condition of their closing their ports against the Persian fleet. The only resistance offered was by the Persian governor of Milētus, and by Memnon, the Rhodian, at Halicarnassus; but both cities were carried by storm. Alexander then divided his army, himself proceeding along the southern coast of Asia Minor, as far as the frontiers of Cilicia, whilst his general, Parmenio, made himself master of Phrygia. The further advance of Alex- <sup>B</sup> ander along the southern coast being barred by the rocky mountains of Cilicia, he marched northwards into the interior of Asia Minor, with the intention of wintering in the fruitful district of Phrygia. In order to render the superstitious belief of the people of Asia subservient to his purpose, he *cut* the famous knot at Gordium.

In the year 333 Alexander, in conjunction with his general Parmenio, entered Cilicia, and falling sick at Tarsus, after bathing in the Cydnus, was cured by his calumniated physician, Philip. At Issus, on the borders of Syria, Darius himself was overthrown by Alexander, in a battle in which 100,000 Persians fell, and their king escaped with difficulty. The rich camp of the Persians, with the <sup>C</sup> magnificent royal tent, the mother, wife, two daughters, and a son of Darius, fell into the hands of the conqueror, who treated the prisoners with his accustomed clemency. Damascus, with the royal treasury, was taken by Parmenio. Meanwhile Darius had escaped to the other side of the Euphrates, and was in vain endeavouring to purchase a peace by the resignation of all his dominions as far as that river.

In the year 332 Alexander conquered Syria, Cyprus, 346 and Phœnicia, where the insular city of Tyre alone <sup>D</sup> refused to admit a Macedonian garrison, and after a siege of seven months was stormed by means of a dam thrown across from the mainland to the island. In Palestine, Gaza (the only city that offered any opposition) was taken after a siege of two months. In Egypt, where Alexander was welcomed as a deliverer from the Persian yoke, he endeavoured to perpetuate his power by founding at the western enbouchure of the Nile the port and (almost entirely *Greek*) city of Alexandria.

- 347 From this place, Alexander, at the head of a considerable  
 A portion of his army, marched through the Libyan desert to  
 the temple of Zeus Ammon (by whose priest he was pro-  
 nounced to be the son of the god), probably for the purpose  
 of offering, in the sight of the Egyptians, a solemn act of  
 homage to their supreme deity. By the conquest of Phœ-  
 nicia and Cyprus, he had also acquired a powerful fleet,  
 consisting of ships which at an earlier period had composed  
 the main strength of the Persian marine. Returning to  
 Asia, he overthrew Darius at Gaugamēla near Arbēla  
 B (1 Oct.), 331. The defeated monarch fled for refuge to  
 the inaccessible north-eastern regions of his kingdom,  
 whilst the conqueror promptly took possession of the more  
 important and wealthy provinces of the south-east, viz.,  
 Babylonia, Susiana, and Persis. Retracing his steps  
 through Media, in the hope of discovering the fugitive,  
 Alexander, on his arrival in Parthia, found that Darius  
 had already fallen by the hands of the satraps of Bactria  
 (Bessus), and Arachosia.
- 348 The death of Darius removed the last barrier which  
 C withheld the principal Persians from throwing themselves  
 into the arms of the conqueror, whose crafty policy, even  
 more than his brilliant victories, enabled him to found a  
 Persico-Macedonian kingdom. The rapid subju-  
 gation of the eastern portion of the empire was effected  
 principally by the adoption of three measures: 1. The  
 satraps, who were willing to recognise him as sovereign of  
 the east, were permitted to retain their satrapies. This  
 secured the eastern portion. 2. The dress, manners, and  
 court ceremonial of the earlier Persian kings were adopted  
 by Alexander, that he might appear as little as possible in  
 D the light of a foreign conqueror. 3. In accordance with  
 a system which had hitherto worked well, he governed  
 with more mildness than the Persian monarchs, and with  
 more respect for the principle of *nationality*.
- 349 After traversing the eastern provinces, Alexander pro-  
 ceeded to Sogdiana, in pursuit of the satrap Bessus (the  
 murderer of Darius, who had assumed the title of Arta-  
 xerxes III.), and having taken him prisoner, ordered his  
 immediate execution. The north-eastern limits of the  
 Persian empire having been reached, and the country com-  
 pletely subjugated, Alexander conceived the design of



making himself king of all Asia, the extreme boundaries of (349) which were, as he supposed, at no great distance. With <sup>A</sup> this view he undertook an expedition against the Scythians and Indians, and crossed the Jaxartes; but finding that the nomadic hordes avoided a battle, and that as he advanced the country became more inhospitable, he retraced his steps, contenting himself with posting garrisons along the line of frontier formed by the river.

Meanwhile discontent had manifested itself in two quarters. 350  
 1. *Among the Macedonian nobles*, who had followed him to Asia, and could neither brook the appointment of the Persian nobility to satrapies, nor readily accord to their sovereign the divine honours which he now claimed as king of Persia. Some of the most distinguished among them, as Parmenio, and his son Philotas, Clitus, and Callisthenes, lost their lives in consequence of their refusal to render this unworthy homage. 2. *In Greece*, where the severities of Alexander and his lieutenant, Antipater, became every day more intolerable, the Spartan king, Agis II., availing himself of the opportunity afforded by the absence of Antipater in Thrace (whither he had gone for the purpose of chastising his revolted officer Memnon), raised the standard of patriotic warfare. None however supported him, except the Achæans, Eleans, and Arcadians; and a single victory (near Ægie, in Arcadia) put an end to the insurrection (330). <sup>B</sup>

Campaign of Alexander in western India, 327 351 and 326.

With an army, of which the nucleus alone was composed of Macedonians and Greeks, the main body consisting of the most promising barbarians, Alexander, in the spring of 327, crossed the Indian frontier, and in the expectation of soon reaching the eastern coast of Asia, fought his way to the Hyphāsis, the brave savages of the Punjāb offering the most determined resistance to his progress. For his success he was, in a great measure, indebted to dissensions among the chieftains of northern India, and to the alliance of the most powerful sovereigns, such as Taxila and Porus, who were induced, by the promise of important benefits, to acknowledge the supremacy of the Macedonians, permit the establishment of fortresses within their dominions (e.g. Nicæa, and Bucephala, at the two most important fords of the Ganges), and receive Macedonian satraps as <sup>D</sup> commanders of the garrisons, or themselves become satraps. As Alexander's knowledge of the extent of India became more accurate, and his army melted away in repeated and

(351) obstinate combats with the barbarians, whilst at the same time distressing intelligence reached him of the misconduct of his satraps, the idea of subduing India was gradually abandoned. On the Hyphāsis he was compelled (it is said, by the discontent of his soldiers [?]), to give his line of march a southerly, instead of an easterly, direction. Embarking, with a part of his army, on board a fleet of 1800 to 2000 vessels built on the Hydaspes, and commanded by Nearchus, he sailed down the Hydaspes and the Acesīnes, and thence (after the overthrow of the brave Malli and Oxythracians) down the Indus (the mouths of which were accurately surveyed and fortified, in anticipation of a future enterprise) into the Indian ocean. Nearchus piloted the fleet through the Erythræan sea into the Persian gulf, and discovered the mouths of the Euphrates and the Tigris; but Alexander, with the larger division of his army, returned overland to Persia. Taxila and Porus seem to have been the only Indian sovereigns who continued in a sort of dependent state until the death of Alexander.

352 His return to Babylon, 326—324.

c Alexander, with that portion of his forces which had not embarked on board the ships, continued his march from the mouth of the Ganges, along the sea shore, for the purpose of keeping his fleet in sight and supplying it with provisions. When this line of march became no longer practicable, he proceeded through Gedrosia, Carmania, Persis, and Susa, to Babylon, where he punished the arrogant satraps with great severity. The last years of his life were spent (with the exception of a short campaign against the wild Cossæis) in making arrangements for the internal regulation of his dominions, and in preparing for a future expedition, probably against India.

353 *Internal arrangements.* The barbarian satraps, who oppressed the people, were removed, and their places supplied by Macedonians. In order still further to conciliate the barbarians, Alexander married Barsine, the eldest daughter of Darius Codomannus, and Parysatis, the youngest sister of King Artaxerxes III., and, at the same time, compelled the most distinguished of his suite, as well as 10,000 other Macedonians, to take Persian wives. The discontent of the Macedonians at finding that the ranks of the army, and even of the king's body guard were filled with barbarians, whilst the services of his own veteran soldiers were forgotten, occasioned a mutiny, which was suppressed by the energy and firmness of the king.

In the year 323, Alexander, in consequence of his extraordinary exertions, and his undue indulgence in the pleasures of the table, died at Babylon [of a fever] at the early age of thirty-two.

§ 77. *Partition of the Persico-Macedonian empire.*

After Alexander's death, his most distinguished generals and friends, Perdicas, Leonatus, and Ptolemæus, the son of Lagus, in conjunction with the leaders of the army, determined to proclaim as king the child to which his widow, Roxane<sup>1</sup>, expected shortly to give birth, in the hope that it would prove a male. Perdicas (at first in conjunction with Leonatus) was to govern as regent (ἐπιμελητής) in Asia, Antipater and Cratærus in Europe; and the most distinguished Macedonians were to be advanced to satrapies. The army, however, compelled them to recognise Arrhidæus, the weak-minded half-brother of the late king, together with his posthumous son, Alexander.

The eastern portion of the kingdom was entirely unaffected by this *partition of satrapies*; but in the west Ptolemæus Lagi obtained the satrapy of Egypt, Leonatus of the Hellespontine Phrygia; Cassander of Caria; Antigonus of Pamphylia, Phrygia, and Lycia; Eumenes (Alexander's private secretary) of the still unconquered districts of Paphlagonia and Cappadocia; and Lysimachus of Thrace and the western coast of Pontus.

Perdicas, who had accepted the regency in the hope of being able to set aside the two royal puppets Arrhidæus and Alexander, and himself ascend the throne, pursued his plans so incautiously as to raise up against him a confederacy of satraps: and when he appealed to arms, he was slain by his own troops, during a campaign in Egypt in the year 321. The vacant regency was now conferred by the army on Antipater, who, at his death in 318, bequeathed the guardianship of the two young kings, not to his own son, Cassander, who was a bitter enemy of the royal family of Macedonia, but to his former lieutenant-general Polysperchôn. This

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<sup>1</sup> Alexander the Great  
 by Roxane                      by Barsine  
 Alexander.                      Hercules.

(356) arrangement occasioned a war between Cassander and  
 A Polysperchon, the former allying himself with Antigonus, the governor of Western Asia, the latter with Eumenes, Antigonus was victorious in Asia, and Cassander in Europe; whilst the ruin of Eumenes in Asia, through the treachery of his partizans, occasioned also the fall of Polysperchon in Europe. The ambitious designs of Antigonus, who had portioned out the satrapies of eastern Asia according to his own caprice, and every where taken possession of the royal treasures, had now become so apparent, that a confederacy was formed against him by the satraps of the west, Cassander of Macedonia, Ptolemæus Lagi, Lysimachus, and Seleucus, who had been expelled from Babylon. This occasioned, at two different periods (314, 301),  
 B war between Antigonus and those satraps. For a long time Antigonus, assisted by his son, Demetrius Poliorcetes, made head against his enemies, but in the year 301 he was defeated and slain in a battle fought at Ipsus, against Lysimachus and Seleucus. His dominions were divided among themselves by the conquerors, so that on the ruins of the Persico-Macedonian empire there now arose four new monarchies. Meanwhile the two royal puppets were murdered.

357 First War (314—311). Antigonus endeavoured by his activity and cunning to divide his opponents, whose plans of operation were  
 C different. Whilst he was preparing for an invasion of Egypt, and commencing a war with Ptolemy, by making himself master of Phœnicia, he caused it to be proclaimed to the Greeks (by the Macedonians in his army), that they were emancipated from the Macedonian yoke. This was done for the purpose of weakening Cassander of Macedonia. Then he subdued the south-western part of Asia Minor, and had already reached the Hellespont, intending to cross into Europe, when his son Demetrius, whom he had left behind in Phœnicia, was totally defeated by Ptolemæus, near Gaza (in 312). Seleucus then regained the satrapy of Babylon (312), of which he had been deprived, and united with it Media and Susiana. In order to reconquer the east, Antigonus abandoned his European campaign, and concluded a peace with Cassander, Lysimachus, and Ptolemæus, reserving for himself the sovereignty over the whole of Asia, and stipulating that his promise of independence to the Greeks should be confirmed.

358 Second War (309—301). As neither party observed the conditions of this peace (for the garrisons of Cassander as well as the  
 D lieutenants of Antigonus still remained in Greece; and Alexander had moreover procured the assassination of Hercules, the last scion of the ancient royal house), the war broke out afresh. Demetrius,

who was now commissioned by his father Antigonus to effect the liberation of Greece, drove the troops of Cassander out of Athens, and for this service was rewarded with the most extraordinary marks of respect; two new tribes, Antigonias and Demetrias, being named after his father and himself. He then, in obedience to his father's commands, returned into Asia, and after a splendid victory over the Egyptian fleet, wrested Cyprus from Ptolemæus Lagi. In their joy at having obtained this advantage, both Antigonus and Demetrius assumed the title of king, an example which was followed by Ptolemæus, Lysimachus, and Selencus. After an unsuccessful attempt on Egypt, Demetrius tried to avenge himself on the flourishing and powerful republic of Rhodes, which had refused to assist him against Ptolemæus; but notwithstanding the most tremendous exertions, and the construction of an engine termed Helepolis, which consisted of nine stories, and was worked by 3400 men, he was compelled to raise the siege, and gladly accepted the invitation of the Greeks to aid them in opposing the ambitious designs of Lysander. The rapid and successful progress of Demetrius (who had been nominated commander-in-chief of the Grecian forces at the Syne-drion at Corinth), compelled Lysander to enter into a fresh alliance with Lysimachus, Seleucus, and Ptolemæus. Lysimachus having in consequence of this arrangement marched into Asia Minor, whilst Seleucus at the same time advanced from the east, Antigonus, who was now in his eighty-first year, recalled his son from Greece, but fell in the battle of Ipsus, 301. His territories were divided among the conquerors, Lysimachus receiving the whole of Asia Minor on this side the Taurus, and Seleucus the rest of that district together with Syria, including Phœnicia and Palestine. Demetrius, who still retained possession of Cyprus, Tyre, and Sidon, and had the largest fleet at his disposal, proceeded towards Greece.

### III. THE KINGDOMS WHICH AROSE OUT OF THE MACEDONIAN MONARCHY<sup>1</sup>.

#### § 78. *Macedonia and Greece.*

(323—146.)

The Lamian War, 323—322.

On receiving the intelligence of Alexander's death, the 359 Greeks, who even during his lifetime had made an attempt c to recover their freedom (see § 76), united, at the summons of the Athenians, for a last struggle. Leosthènes, com-

<sup>1</sup> Succession of kings: a) *Of various families*: 1. Philip Arrhidæus and Alexander. 2. Cassander. 3. Philip. 4. Antipater and Alexander. 5. Demetrius Poliorcètes. 6. Pyrrhus. 7. Lysimachus. 8. Seleucus Nicator. 9. Ptolemæus Ceraunus. 10. Meleager. 11. Antipater. 12. Sosthènes. b) *Of the family of Demetrius Poliorcetes*. 1. Antigonus Gonatas. 2. Demetrius II. 3. Antigonus II. Doson. 4. Philip III. 5. Perseus. 6. Andriacus.

(359) mander-in-chief of the allied army, transferred the theatre  
 A of war to Thessaly, where Antipater, after sustaining a  
*defeat*, threw himself into Lamia, with the intention of  
 awaiting the arrival of his allies Cratærus and Leonnatus.  
 Leonnatus came first, and fell in a *second battle*: but  
 Craterus having now joined Antipater, and obtained a  
 considerable advantage in a *third engagement* (near  
 Cranon), most of the Greek states endeavoured to make  
 terms for themselves, leaving the Athenians and Ætolians  
 B to carry on the war. Even Athens, when the Macedonian  
 army advanced to her walls, was compelled to sue for  
 peace, which was granted on condition of her paying the  
 expenses of the war, together with a heavy fine, receiving  
 a Macedonian garrison into Munychia, delivering up the  
 orators Demosthenes and Hyperides, and accepting such a  
 constitution as Antipater thought fit to offer. The two  
 orators had fled from Athens, but were overtaken;  
 Hyperides was conveyed to Macedonia, where his tongue  
 was cut out—Demosthenes swallowed poison in the island  
 of Calauria.

360 The kings of the new Macedonian empire, being fully  
 c aware that any attempt to recover Asia would be fruitless,  
 contented themselves with endeavouring to render Greece  
 (which as yet was but loosely connected with Macedonia)  
 a province of that country. Notwithstanding, however,  
 the pertinacity with which they kept this object in view,  
 their plans were continually rendered abortive even when  
 they seemed on the eve of being accomplished, partly by  
 repeated disputes respecting the succession to  
 the throne, partly by quarrels with the barbarians  
 of the north, especially the Gauls, and at a later period  
 D by the invasion of the Romans. Another obstacle  
 to the complete subjugation of Greece existed in the  
 mutual jealousies of those who were at the head of the  
 three greater monarchies, and in the formation of the  
 Ætolian, and revival of the Achæan confederacy  
 (280). Thessaly alone remained a Macedonian province,  
 most of the other states being merely allies of Macedonia,  
 and bearing each a different relation to the king, as the  
 head of the Græco-Macedonian Symmarchy.

361 Macedonia and Greece invaded by the Gauls  
 in 280. A detachment, consisting of three hordes, of

those Gallic tribes, whose immigration a hundred years (361) before had convulsed the south-western portion of western A Europe, appeared in Macedonia in the year 280. The first horde overthrew king Ptolemæus Ceraunus, who was slain in the engagement; but the invaders were subsequently driven out of the country by Sosthènes. A second horde under Brennus advanced as far as Delphi, laying waste the country with fire and sword; but the attacks of the allied Grecian force (now strengthened by the addition of Macedonians and Syrians), and the sufferings which they endured through earthquakes (?), cold, and hunger, reduced their army to a mere skeleton. Brennus, B their king, being grievously wounded, fell by his own hand; and the few who escaped, joining their countrymen, who had remained in Thrace, formed a Gallic settlement in that country, which since the death of Lysimachus had been united with Macedonia. A part of them crossed over into Asia Minor, and settled in Galatia.

The establishment of the Ætolian and re- 362 newal of the Achæan confederacy (280) had for C its object the restoration and maintenance of Grecian independence. The *Ætolian confederacy*, at the head of which was placed a stratēgos, held an annual meeting (Panætolion) at Thermus, at which questions affecting the general interests of the confederacy were discussed. They had also the great council of the Apoclētæ. The ancient insignificant union of the *Achæan cities* (see § 58) was revived, at first by four and subsequently by all the rest; but this confederacy, which held its session twice a year at Ægium, and subsequently at Corinth, under the presidency of a strategos, did not acquire any considerable influence until the time of Arātus, who, as the soul of the whole union, gained over to the cause his own native city of Sicyon, together with Corinth, and all the principal cities of Peloponnesus (Sparta excepted). Even the Athenians D were persuaded to join the confederacy through the policy of Arātus, who bribed the Macedonian governor to withdraw his garrison from their city (229).

These successes of the Achæans excited the jealousy of 363 the Ætolians, who endeavoured to establish a confederacy of the whole of Greece with themselves at its head. The pursuit of this object among the Peloponnesian states, the

(363) union of which was also the great end of the Achæan league, produced a struggle for the Hegemony of Greece between the two confederacies. The Achæans being at first unsuccessful, abandoned the principle on which their confederacy had been formed, and applied for aid to the king of Macedonia.

364 In the *Cleomenian war*, as it was called (228—222), the Ætolians formed an alliance with Sparta, each party perhaps promising the other that they would divide the Hegemony of Greece between them. The Achæans, after sustaining many defeats, were on the point of submitting themselves to the Hegemony of Sparta, when the ambitious Aratus, in order to prevent the decline of his personal influence, called in the Macedonians. Cleomènes, king of Sparta, wearied out by the long war, which had exhausted all his resources, was vanquished, in attempting to make good the pass of Sellasia between Arcadia and Laconia, by the numerical superiority and greater warlike skill of the Macedonians. The subjugation of the Ætolians, who were not comprehended in the great Græco-Macedonian Symmachy, was left by Antigonus as a legacy to his son Philip III. The opportunity for effecting this seemed to have arrived, when the brave Ætolians came forward to resist the further extension of the great Græco-Macedonian Symmachy, and hence arose the *war of the confederates*, between the Ætolians and a portion of the Symmachy. This war was carried on almost single-handed by Philip with such success, that at the end of two years peace was concluded, the intelligence of Hannibal's victories in Italy having drawn his attention to the feasibility of attacking Rome. Ætolia and Elis retained their independence.

For the relations of Macedonia and Greece with Rome see § 123—126.

365 Civilization of the Greeks from 338 to 146.

- c a. Literature: 1. In poetry the most remarkable phenomenon was the *new Comedy* (without a Chorus), the chief aim of which was to present a characteristic picture of ordinary life, and to assail with the weapons of ridicule those irregularities, which were inaccessible to the attacks of graver moralists. The most successful writer of this description of comedy was Menander, the model of
- D Plautus and Terence. 2. Eloquence lost more and more its political character, and was merely cultivated as an art in the schools of the rhetoricians, chiefly at Rhodes. 3. The cultivation of philosophy as a distinct science occupied the attention of five recently established schools.

366 a. The *Peripatetic*, that of Aristotle and his disciple Theophrastus (his *Ethics*). b. The *Epicurean*, founded by Epicurus, which repre-



sented pleasure (*ἡδονή*) as the chief end of man. c. The *Stoic*, (366) founded by Zenon (Zeno), which recognized real good only in virtue, and enjoined a life in accordance with nature. d. The *Sceptic* (founded <sup>A</sup> by Pyrrhon [Pyrrho]), which denied certainty of notions received through the *senses*, or formed from sensible impressions by *reflection*. e. The *New Academy* (founded by Carneades) which combated the Stoics with its sceptical eloquence.

b. Commerce. The principal commercial places, after <sup>367</sup> the decline of Grecian freedom, were Corinth, Rhodes, and Byzantium. Articles of Asiatic luxury, which had become better known by means of Alexander's expedition, were soon eagerly sought after by Europeans.

### § 79. *Egypt under the Ptolemies.*

(B.C. 323—30.)

A Flourishing condition of the empire under <sup>368</sup> the three first Ptolemies, 323—221. <sup>B</sup>

Of the three greater empires into which the Macedonian monarchy was divided after the death of Alexander, the smallest, but, for that very reason, the most easily tenable, fell to the lot of the Ptolemies. They enjoyed the advantage of being able to dispense with the satraps, and of governing an unwarlike people, who, having been long accustomed to a foreign and often oppressive dynasty, were little disposed to take offence at the accession of a foreign race, or the presence of Greek and Macedonian officers in the army and at court; especially as the new rulers treated their subjects kindly, and respected their religion, constitution, and customs. Notwith- <sup>c</sup> standing, however, the sagacity displayed by the three first kings, Ptolemy Soter<sup>1</sup>, Ptolemy Philadelphus<sup>2</sup>, and Ptolemy Euergētes<sup>3</sup>, in their endeavours to render Egypt, and particularly their Græco-Macedonian capital, Alexandria, a *grand emporium for the commerce of the whole world, as well as the central school of Grecian science and art*, their foreign policy was singularly injudicious and unfortunate. As a proof of this, we may

<sup>1</sup> A surname bestowed on him by the Rhodians, whom he had assisted against Demetrius Poliorcetes.

<sup>2</sup> So named, because he married his own sister Arsinoë.

<sup>3</sup> *Euergētes* [= the benefactor] was a surname given to Ptolemy by the priests, for having brought back the images of the Egyptian gods from Asia.

68) mention the stupid obstinacy with which they persisted in  
 A their endeavours to add the desirable, but by no means indispensable, neighbouring districts of Cœle-Syria, Phœnicia, Palestine, and even Asia Minor, to Egypt, Cyrène, and Cyprus, which they possessed, the first by right of  
 conquest, the last in virtue of a treaty. Their perseverance in this line of policy not only involved them in frequent quarrels with the Seleucidæ, but rendered the revival of the satrapy-system indispensable in the conquered districts.

369 In order to facilitate the commerce between India and the  
 B Mediterranean, Ptolemy Philadelphus completed a canal from the Red Sea to the Nile, which had been commenced by Necho (see § 92), and continued by Darius Hystaspes. It would seem, however, that little use was made of this mode of communication, until the time of the Arabian Caliphs, it being considered safer, on account of the numerous reefs at the upper end of the Arabian gulf, to ship only as far as the ports of Berenice and Myos Hormos (both founded by the above-mentioned king), where the cargoes were discharged and conveyed on camels to Coptus, and thence forwarded by canal to the Nile. Thus Egypt became a principal emporium for the Indian and Arabian trade, an advantage which it in a great measure retained until the discovery of a passage to India by the Cape of Good Hope.

370 B. Decline and fall of the Empire, B. C. 221  
 C —30.

The decline of the Egyptian empire dates its commencement from the reign of the luxurious tyrant Ptolemy IV. Philopator. From this time portion after portion of the foreign possessions acquired by the swords of their ancestors was wrested from the feeble hands of successive sovereigns, who gave themselves up to effeminacy and debauchery, leaving the administration of public affairs to their favorites; whilst the people, goaded to madness by the oppressive government, made repeated attempts to shake off the yoke of a foreign dynasty, and a disputed succession furnished the Romans with an excuse for intervention, and finally for the dismemberment of the kingdom  
 D (comp. § 125). Cæsar's Alexandrian war against Ptolemy XIII. Dionysus, at the instigation of Cleopatra (see § 148, 1). War of Augustus against Cleopatra and Mark Antony (see § 154). Egypt a Roman province, B. C. 30.

371 C. Alexandrian Literature.

From the time of Alexander the Great, or rather from

the establishment of the Alexandrian Museum by (371) Ptolemy Philadelphus, the new capital of Egypt took the place of Athens as the seat of Grecian learning, the object and character of which were however materially altered by its transplantation to a different quarter of the globe. The creative arts, as well as poetry and rhetoric, manifestly declined, whilst scientific subjects were treated more profoundly and systematically.

1. *Poetry*. The Alexandrian poets are deficient in poetic genius, imagination, and not unfrequently taste in the choice and treatment of their subject. In tragedy, we have the "seven stars," as they are called, in lyric poetry Callimæchus (elegies), in epic Apollonius Rhodius (the *Argonautica*), in didactic poetry Arætus, and in Bucolic (which now first developed itself) Theocritus (thirty of his Idylls are extant), Bion, and Moschus.

2. *Grammar*, in conjunction with criticism and the interpretation of the ancient writers (*philology* in short), was first raised in this century to the position of a substantive science by the Alexandrian grammarians, who selected the best productions of Grecian literature, formed them into a canon, and corrected the text, which they illustrated with grammatical, historical, and æsthetical comments. The most celebrated grammarians were Zenodotus of Ephesus, (about 280), and his disciple Aristophanes of Byzantium (about 240), who arranged the first canon of classic writers. His pupil Aristarchus (about 180) was considered the most distinguished critic of antiquity. His "Recension" of Homer's poems (the division of which into twenty-four cantos is ascribed to him) forms the ground-work of the text which we now possess.

*Mathematics* also, which had hitherto been considered only a branch of philosophy, first began to be treated systematically during this period, principally by Euclid (his "Elements"), Ctesibius (inventor of the water-organ), Apollonius of Perga (Conic Sections), a pupil of Archimædes of Syracuse, the founder of *Statics*.

The first scientific systems of *astronomy* and *geography* were established at Alexandria by Eratosthenes (*γεωγραφικά* in three books).

*Philosophy* was eagerly cultivated here in the second century by the Eclectics, who selected from different systems whatever they considered most worthy of their attention.

§ 80. *The Syrian Empire under the Seleucidæ*<sup>1</sup>.

(312—64.)

- 375 Seleucus, satrap of Babylon, being summoned by  
 A Antigonus to give an account of his administration, had  
 fled into Egypt; but in the year 312 returned at the head  
 of an army of Egyptian auxiliaries to Babylon, which he  
 defended successfully against Demetrius the son of Anti-  
 gonus, and remained in undisturbed possession of Babylonia,  
 Media, Susiana, and some of the neighbouring districts.  
 By his victory at Ipsus (p. 182) he became master of the  
 principal countries governed by Antigonus, and, after the  
 defeat and death of that monarch (282), of his Asiatic  
 B dominions also. Thus the Syrian empire comprised all  
 the Asiatic countries which had belonged to the monarchy  
 of Alexander the Great (Cœle-Syria, Palestine, and  
 Phœnicia, were soon lost to the Egyptians), with more  
 natural boundaries than that monarchy had ever possessed.  
 Instead of availing themselves of such a favorable position  
 of affairs, the Seleucidæ endeavoured to restore the unna-  
 tural connexion with Europe, and to establish a Græco-  
 Macedonian dominion in newly-built cities<sup>2</sup> on the western  
 frontier, instead of rendering the inhabitants of Asia their  
 friends, by the establishment of a purely oriental system  
 of government in the capital of their empire (Susa, Baby-  
 C lon, Ecbatana), and thence throughout the provinces. In  
 consequence of this policy the people of the west were  
 estranged, the more distant north-eastern provinces (Par-  
 thia and Bactria) soon revolted, the chieftains of northern  
 Asia Minor, whom Alexander had been unable to subdue,  
 not only retained their independence, but extended their  
 dominions; and even Grecian satraps, renouncing their  
 allegiance to the effeminate and debauched successors of  
 Seleucus, made themselves masters of those portions of

<sup>1</sup> Succession of the kings : Seleucus Nicator, Antiochus I. Soter, Antiochus II. Theos, Seleucus II. Callinicus, Seleucus III. Ceraunus, Antiochus III. the Great, Seleucus Philopator, Antiochus IV. Epiphanes, Antiochus V. Eupator, Demetrius I., &c. &c.

<sup>2</sup> Among these were seventeen Antiochs, so named after the father of Seleucus.

Asia Minor, which had not already fallen into the hands of the Egyptians.

The ruin of the declining empire was for a time averted 376 by Antiochus III., surnamed the Great (224—187), <sup>A</sup> who even endeavoured to re-establish it in all its integrity. His first attempt was to wrest their Asiatic conquests from the Ptolemies, and when this failed, he undertook the re-conquest of Parthia and Bactria. The Parthians, who had spread as far as Media, and perhaps to the other side of the Tigris, were again confined to Parthia and Hyrcania; but Antiochus was compelled to recognize their independence as well as that of the Bactrians, and return to the west with the conviction, that so far from there being an opening for fresh conquests in the north-western portion of the Persian empire, it would be difficult to retain even the territory which he already possessed in that quarter. The war against the weak Ptolemy Epiphanes was now <sup>B</sup> renewed with better success, almost all the cities of Cœle-Syria, Phœnicia, and Palestine becoming Syrian. Scarcely however had Antiochus re-established his authority over the countries on the southern and western coasts of Asia Minor (which had revolted, partly to the Ptolemies and partly to the kings of Pergamus), and well-nigh completed their subjugation, when the Romans, who ever since the humiliation of Philip of Macedonia had been seeking a pretext for war with Syria, issued a proclamation, in which they declared that all the Greeks of Asia were free and independent. Antiochus, deceived as he was, and at a later <sup>C</sup> period annoyed and insulted, by the Romans, still strove by every means in his power to avoid a war; but finding all his endeavours unavailing, he allowed himself to be persuaded by the Ætolians to visit Greece, for the purpose of forming a Symmachy between Syria, Macedonia, and all the Grecian states, and thus checking the aggressive movements of Rome in the east. Even here, however, he <sup>D</sup> found himself miserably deceived; for Philip of Macedonia was soon seduced by the fair promises of the Romans, and the Greeks, partly through fear, partly because they had persuaded themselves that the Romans were the real protectors of their liberties, were slow in joining the confederacy, whilst the Achæans replied to his

(376) proposals by a declaration of war, which was soon followed by a similar proceeding on the part of the Romans. Under these unfavourable circumstances Antiochus, instead of returning at once into Asia and there joining the forces assembled in the interior of his kingdom, still lingered in Greece in a state of miserable indecision, until a defeat at Thermopylæ compelled him to seek safety in flight. The Romans followed him into Asia, and having gained a second battle at Magnesia on the Sipylus, compelled him to pay 15,000 talents, deliver up his fleet and elephants, and renounce all claim to the portion of Asia Minor within the Taurus; a district which they divided provisionally between their allies, Eumenes, king of Pergamus, and the republic of Rhodes. The satraps of the Greater and Lesser Armenia availed themselves of this crisis to refuse the further payment of tribute, and renounce their allegiance to the Seleucidæ.

377 After the death of Antiochus III., two causes slowly but surely undermined the empire of the Seleucidæ:—1. The increasing prevalence of the eastern spirit over the Grecism of the Seleucidæ, aided as it was by the advance of the Parthians westwards, and of the Bactrians towards the south-east. 2. The policy of the Romans, who fostered the mutual distrust of the Ptolemies, Seleucidæ, and the kings of Asia Minor, and thus not only withheld them from uniting for the purpose of resisting the aggressions of Rome, but reduced them to such a miserable state of weakness, as rendered the conquest of their country a work of little difficulty. King Antiochus IV. Epiphanes so little understood his position, that when the Romans attacked Perseus of Macedonia, instead of uniting with that monarch to oppose Rome as the common enemy, he availed himself of the opportunity to re-conquer the provinces of Cœle-Syria, Palestine, and Phœnicia, which had again revolted, and even to make himself master of the whole of Egypt except the capital. The Ptolemies appealed to the Romans, who compelled Antiochus to disgorge his Egyptian conquest. In Palestine he found, besides the Israelites, who jealously observed the law and supported the Ptolemies, an innovating Grecizing party, by whom he was persuaded to persecute those who

adhered to the ancient faith. This treatment occasioned (377) their defection from the Syrian monarchy<sup>1</sup>. Compare A § 81, 6.

Under his feeble successors, most of whom bore the name of Antiochus, and were continually subject to humiliation and annoyance from the Romans, the kingdom, which no longer extended eastwards over Babylonia and Mesopotamia, was shaken to its foundation by disputes respecting the succession to the throne, which were kept alive by the Romans. At length, in the year sixty-four, the Syrian empire, already limited to Syria Proper by the conquests of the Parthians, was reduced by Cn. Pompeius to the condition of a Roman province.

§ 81. *Kingdoms which revolted from the Syrian dominion.*

1. Pergamus (Pergamos) (283—180), Philetærus, 378 lieutenant of Lysimachus in Pergamus, revolted to Seleucus Nicator, and during the disturbances which followed his assassination, made himself independent by the aid of a band of mercenaries. His successors assumed the title of king, and extended their dominions. Eumenes II. supported the Romans in their war against Antiochus III. of Syria, and on the conclusion of peace received the greater portion of that monarch's possessions in Asia Minor. He was the founder of the celebrated library of Pergamus (which was afterwards presented to Cleopatra by M. Antony), and the first who patronized the manufacture of parchment (*pergamena charta*). His next successor but one, Attalus III., c a prince of weak intellect, bequeathed his kingdom to the Romans, who converted it into a Roman province under the name of Asia Propria. One Aristonicus, who had set up a claim to the throne, was overthrown by the consul Perperna. Compare § 132.

2. In Galatia, three Gallic tribes, who had migrated 379 to Asia Minor, were presented by Nicomēdes, king of Bithynia and Paphlagonia, with allotments of land, on which they lived, under the government of four tetrarchs, of whom Deiotārus was the first who assumed the title of king, and was invested by Cæsar with the sovereignty of

<sup>1</sup> [*Antiochus Epiphanes*, as the fiercest persecutor of God's people, is the great type of the *Antichrist*.]

the whole country. It was made a Roman province by Augustus (25 B. C.).

- 380 3. Parthia. *a.* Under the *Arsacidæ* 256 (?) B. C. to A. D. 226. Agathōcles, the universally unpopular Syrian satrap, was assassinated by Arsāces, who founded an independent kingdom, which was extended by his successors over all the countries between the Euphrātes, Indus, and Oxus. Residences: Ctesiphon and Seleucia on the Tigris. The victory of Arsaces XIV. over the Roman Triumvir Crassus was followed by frequent wars with the Romans, occasioned principally by disputed successions in Armenia. Arsaces XXX. (called also Artabanus IV.) was deposed in the year of our Lord 226 by a Persian named Artaxerxes, son of Sassan. With this Artaxerxes begins *b.* the dynasty of the *Sassanidæ* or *new Persian empire*, 226—651. Narses (297) was deprived by the Roman emperor Galerius, of Mesopotamia, five provinces on the other side the Tigris, and the sovereignty of Armenia and Iberia—but the five provinces were restored by the emperor Jovian.

- 381 4. Bactria, which revolted from the Syrian monarchy *c* at the same time as Parthia, formed an independent kingdom, until Arsaces VI. united the province of Bactria with that of Parthia, whilst other conquerors made themselves masters of the other component parts of the Bactrian kingdom.

- 382 5. Armenia. After the unfortunate wars of Antiochus the Great, both the governors of Armenia revolted (189), and assuming the royal title divided the country between them. *a.* The *Greater Armenia*. Among the kings the most worthy of notice is Tigrānes I., who ruled at the same time over Syria, the Lesser Armenia, and Cappadocia; but having formed an alliance with his father-in-law Mithridātes VI., king of Pontus, he was attacked by the Romans, and his sovereignty restricted to the Greater *d* Armenia. At a later period the succession to the throne furnished a subject for contention between the Romans and Parthians. Trajan conquered Armenia in 106, and reduced it to the condition of a Roman province, but the government was again vested in native princes (subject to the supremacy of Rome), by the emperor Hadrian in 117. Finally, Armenia became a part of the new Persian



empire (412). *b.* The *Lesser Armenia*, ruled by its own (382) kings until the conquest of the country by Tigranes I. It <sup>A</sup> fell subsequently into the hands of the Romans, by whom it was alternately conferred on some neighbouring king, or merged in the Roman province of Cappadocia.

# 6. Palæstina.

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*a. Dependent on the Ptolemies and Seleucidæ* 323—167. At the division of the kingdom after the death of Alexander the Great, Palestine fell to the lot of the governor of Syria, but was soon conquered by Ptolemy I., who transported a colony of Jews to Alexandria, where the Seventy translated the Old Testament into Greek [the *Septuagint*]. In the war of Antiochus the Great against the <sup>B</sup> Egyptians, the Jews, weary of Egyptian rule, attached themselves to the king of Syria, and remained subject to the Seleucidæ from the year 203 to the reign of Antiochus IV. Epiphanes; when the people, enraged at the sale of their high priesthood to the Grecizing party, and the attempts of the king to enforce attendance on the idolatrous worship of Greece, took up arms under the command of Mattathias, a priest of the race of the Asmoneans, and his five sons, of whom Judas Maccabæus was the most renowned.

*b. Under the Asmoneans or Maccabees*, 167—39. The <sup>C</sup> 384 Jews, whose success was promoted by the family quarrels of the Seleucidæ, maintained their independence during a period of nearly forty years, 167—130. At length, Simon Thassi, the son of Mattathias, was recognized by Demetrius as high priest and independent prince of Judæa, and his grandson Aristobûlus assumed the title of king (in 107). Under his successors the struggles of the two sects of Pharisees and Sadducees prepared the way for the dependence of their country on Rome; Hyrcanus, the leader of the Pharisaic party, having called in Pompey, who wrested Jerusalem out of the hands of the Sadducees, and promoted Hyrcanus to the high priesthood, but at the same time compelled the little state of Judæa to pay a tribute to the Roman exchequer.

The *Pharisees*, in addition to the written law of Moses, recognized <sup>D</sup> 385 the authority of tradition, and believed in predestination. They also held the [true] doctrines of the immortality of the soul and the existence of angels. The *Sadducees* on the contrary rejected all these doctrines. A sect of the Pharisees, the *Essenes*, were distinguished by the ascetic severity of their discipline.

(385) As the new high priest troubled himself very little <sup>A</sup> about the administration of public affairs, the supreme authority fell into the hands of a favorite of the emperor's named Antipater, a native of Idumæa, who placed his son, a lad of fifteen, over the province of Galilee. This son, whose name was Herod, being supported by the Romans, was enabled to bid defiance to the enmity of the Pharisees, and in the year B.C. 39, was proclaimed by the Triumviri king of Judæa.

386 c. Under the Herodians from B.C. 39 to A.D. 70. The government of Herod the Great (!), imposed as it was on the country by the swords of a foreign power, was <sup>B</sup> of course hateful to every Jewish patriot. His policy, therefore, during a tyrannical reign of thirty-seven years, was to ally himself closely to the Romans, and endeavour by every means in his power to root out the ancient Jewish customs and institutions.

In the last year but one of his reign, four years before the commencement of our epoch<sup>1</sup>, JESUS CHRIST was born at Bethlehem. After the three sons of Herod had reigned a short time, Judæa was included in the Roman province of Syria, retaining however its own procurators or governors. Of these, the most notorious was Pontius Pilate [Pontius Pilatus], under whom our Blessed Lord suffered in the year 30.

387 Under Herod Agrippa I., a grandson of Herod the Great, who <sup>C</sup> had rendered important services to the emperor Claudius, Palestine was again a kingdom for three years; but after his death it became as before a Roman province, administered by procurators. At a later period (A.D. 53) a small portion of the country was ruled by the last of the Herodians, king Agrippa II., a son of Herod Agrippa I.

An insurrection, occasioned by the severity of these governors (A.D. 66), ended in the destruction of the city by Titus [as the instrument by which the righteous judgement of the Almighty was executed] in the year 70; 1,100,000 Jews, who had come up to the feast of the Passover, losing their lives by famine, pestilence, and the sword. The Roman governor now transferred the seat of government to Samaria. The settlement of a colony on the site of Jerusalem, and erection of a temple of Jupiter Capito-

<sup>1</sup> [Mr. Browne places it in B.C. 5. *Ordo Sæclorum*, p. 36.]

linus by the emperor Hadrian, occasioned another general (387) insurrection of the Jews (A.D. 133), of whom more than a half a million lost their lives; but in spite of this opposition, the new city of Ælia Capitolina rose on the ruins of Jerusalem. Dispersion of the Jews.

### § 82. *The Kingdom of Pontus.*

Pontus, which had been a Persian satrapy from the time 388 of Darius I., became independent in the general insurrection of the satraps against Artaxerxes II. The Pontic king, Mithridātes II., submitted to Alexander the Great; but expelled Antigonos, to whom Pontus had been assigned in the partition of the kingdom. The last king, <sup>B</sup> Mithridates VI., or "the Great," a man of learning and an author, subdued Colchis, extended his empire as far as Armenia, and was thrice involved in war with the Romans in consequence of his conquests in Asia Minor (87—84; 83—81; 74—64), see §§ 138 and 143. His own son Pharnāces, to whom he was at last compelled to fly for protection, having seduced his troops, Mithridates laid violent hands on himself. The central portion of Pontus was incorporated into the Roman province of Bithynia, but at a later period conferred, together with the eastern district, on a grandson of Mithridates (Polemo). Finally, <sup>C</sup> both countries became Roman provinces in the reign of Nero; the western portion, which bordered on Galatia, being conferred on the Galatian prince Deiotārus.

### § 83. *Bithynia and Cappadocia.*

In both provinces the Persian satraps assumed the title 389 of king, and maintained their independence against the Macedonians. Among the Bithynian kings, the best known are Prusias II., at whose court Hannibal sought an asylum; and Nicomēdes III., who was expelled by Mithridates VI., but restored by the Romans, to whom he bequeathed his kingdom (B.C. 75).

Cappadocia, after the death of her last king (Archelāus), <sup>D</sup> who was inveigled to Rome by the emperor Tiberius (A.D. 18), became a distinct province of the Roman empire. The manner of his death is not known.

## IV. THE ROMANS.

*Sources of Information.*

- 390 *a. The most ancient authorities.* Roman history commences with a few detached and meagre records; among which the most important are, 1. The *Annales Maximi* or *Pontificum*, which originated in the yearly registration of magistrates, with a short notice of the most important events of each year, inscribed at the end of the year on a white tablet, by the Pontifex Maximus, in whose house it was hung up for public inspection. This practice continued from the earliest times to the days of the Gracchi. It seems probable, however, that the annals of events antecedent to the storming of Rome by the Gauls, were partially destroyed when the city was burnt, and perhaps replaced by others at a later period. 2. The *Fasti Capitolini*, or Consular Fasti, a list of the Consuls to the time of Augustus, in whose reign this record was compiled from ancient authorities. It was found at Rome in 1547, and has very recently been augmented by fresh discoveries. 3. The *Laudes funebres*, or funeral orations, in which triumphs, consulates, &c., often imaginary, were ascribed to the ancient Romans, and thence transferred to history.
- 391 *b. The Annalists*, whose numerous works are lost, with the exception of a few passages cited by more recent authors. The most ancient are *Q. Fabius Pictor* and *L. Cincius Alimentus*; both of whom served in the second Punic war, and wrote a history of their own times, with an introductory essay on the earlier history of Rome. A few years later we have a metrical history, in eighteen books, under the title of "*Annales*," by *Q. Ennius*, who brings down the narrative to his own times; and a treatise (*Origines*) on the same subject, in seven books, brought down to the year 151, with profound criticisms, by *M. Porcius Cato Censorius*. The most shameless falsifier of history, especially of numbers, was *Valerius Antias*.
- 392 *c. Historians.*
- 392 *aa.* In the Greek language, the chief authority for the more important events of Roman history, between the years 220 and 157, is *Polybius*. The fragments which we possess of *Diodorus Siculus* are mere detached notices, reaching only to the year 302, and often unworthy of credit. *Dionysius*, in his *Ἀρχαιολογία Ῥωμαϊκή* (in twenty books, of which one to eleven are extant), gives an account of the earliest history and constitution of Rome. *Appian* (*Appianus*), a principal authority for the times immediately following the second Punic war, and for the civil wars. *Dio Cassius*, of whose works fragments are extant, comprehending the period between B.C. 87 and 8. *Herodian* (*Herodianus*)—History of his own times from A.D. 180 to 238. *Zonaras*, in the twelfth century, wrote a *χρονικόν* of events from the beginning of things to the year 1118. *Plutarch's* *βίοι παράλληλοι* contain the lives of twenty-two celebrated Romans.
- 393 *bb.* In Latin.—*a.* Writers who bring down the Roman history from the commencement to their own times.—
- 393 *1. Titus Livius* [called by us, *Livy*] (born at Padua B.C. 58, died there A.D. 19). Of his "*Annales*" (in 142 books) we possess unmutated only books 1—10 (authorities for the period between 753—293), and

21—45 (218—167). 2. *C. Velleius Paterculus* (in the first century of (393) the Christian æra). In his *Historiæ Romanæ libri ii.*, we have a brief outline of universal history, with especial reference to the Romans (to A.D. 30). 3. *L. Annæus Florus* (probably in the reign of Trajan). His *Rerum Romanarum libri iv.*, bring down the history from the building of Rome to the reign of Augustus (B.C. 29). 4. *Eutropius* (in the fourth century) wrote a *Breviarium Histor. Rom.* from the building of Rome to the reign of Valens. We find also short notices of Roman affairs, down to the reign of Augustus, in the *Historiæ Philippicæ* (forty-four books) of *Trogus Pompeius*, of which there exist merely a few extracts in the works of *Justin* [Justinus].

β. Writers who treat of particular portions of Roman history.—1. *C. Julius Cæsar* (99—44) describes his campaigns in Gaul in his *Commentarii de Bello Gallico* (eight books), and his war with Pompey and his party in the *Commentarii de Bello Civili* (three books). 2. *C. Sallustius Crispus* (86—35). His *Bellum Catilinarium* and *Bellum Jugurthinum* are entire; but we possess only a few fragments of the *Histor.*, lib. vi. (79—67). 3. *C. Cornelius Tacitus* (somewhere between A.D. 52—130?). Portions only are extant of his *Historiarum Libri* (68—96) and *Annales*, in sixteen books (14—68). *Ammianus Marcellinus* (about A.D. 400). Of his *Rerum Gestarum libri xxxi.* (A.D. 91—378), we possess only eighteen (352—378), the last and the most important.

γ. Biographers.—1. *Cornelius Nepos* (in the first century of the Christian æra), whose lives of Hannibal, Cato, and Atticus (from his "*Vitæ Excellentium Imperatorum*"), belong to Roman history. 2. *C. Cornelius Tacitus*—*Vita Agricolæ*. 3. *C. Suetonius Tranquillus* (about A.D. 100), *Vitæ XII. Imperatorum* (Cæsar to Domitian). 4. *Scriptores Historiæ Augustæ*; a collection of thirty-four biographies of Roman emperors (from Hadrian to Carus and his sons, or from 117 to 285), by six different authors. 5. *S. Aurelius Victor* (in the fourth century), *De Viris Illustribus Romæ* and *de Cæsaribus*. We have a collection of interesting traits of character and anecdotes in the "*Factorum Dictorumque Memorabilium*" libri ix., of *Valerius Maximus* (in the reign of Tiberius). Besides the historians, we may consult *Cicero's* books, *De Republicâ* (only two of the six remain, and those in an imperfect state), and the three books, *De Legibus*, for the history of the earlier constitution; and his letters for that of his own times. Among the geographers, the first place must be assigned to *Strabo* (5 and 6 books).

### Modern Authorities.

The Roman histories of the earlier modern writers are mere compilations from the works of ancient historians, without any attempt at testing the credibility and value of their testimony. After this fashion, *Freinshemius* (*Supplementa Livii*, 1654) tried to replace the lost books of Livy. The first writer who applied the rules of criticism to Roman history was *Jac. Perizonius*, whose masterly investigations (*Animadversiones Historiæ*, 1685) soon fell into unmerited oblivion; whilst, on the other hand, the scepticism of *L. de Beaufort* (*sur l'incertitude des cinq premiers siècles de l'Histoire*

- (396) Romaine, 1750), though it is here and there carried too far, enjoyed in its day considerable reputation and influence. In the same spirit of mere negation, *Levesque* wrote his *Histoire critique de la République Romaine* (1807). *Edward Gibbon's* "History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," from the second century of the Christian era to the downfall of the Byzantine empire, is a work distinguished by critical acuteness and the surpassing beauty of the narrative<sup>1</sup>. An entirely new epoch, as regards the treatment of Roman history, began with the publication of *B. G. Niebuhr's* "Roman History" (two parts, 1811 and 12; a second edition, carefully revised and corrected, was published in 1827 and 1830, followed in 1832 by a third part, bringing down the history to the end of the first Punic war; fourth edit., one vol., in 1834 [translated into English by Hare and Thirlwall, vol. iii. by Dr. Schmitz]). In this work, the historian not only proves the untenable character of those statements which formerly passed for Roman history, but also selects, with great critical acuteness, from the mass of legends, conjectures, and forgeries, all that deserves the name of unfalsified fact; and on this foundation essays to build a critical history of Rome. The views of Niebuhr have been for the most part adopted by *F. Walter*, in the first vol. of his *History of Roman Law to the time of Justinian* (1834); whilst, on the other hand, the writings of *W. Wachmuth* (*Die ältere Geschichte des röm. Staats*, 1819), *K. D. Hüllmann* (*Röm. Grundverfassung*, 1832), and *J. Rabinowitsch* (*Untersuchungen über römische Verfassung und Geschichte*, 1 theil, 1839) exhibit the Roman constitution under a totally different aspect. [Dr. Arnold's *Roman History*. Niebuhr's *Lectures*, translated by Schmitz. Keightley's *History of Rome*.]

## A. Geography of Italy.

### § 84. Names and Boundaries of Italy.

- 397 The name of *Italia* originally belonged only to the extreme southern portion (called at a later period *Bruttium*, and extending northwards as far as the isthmus on the gulf of *Scylla*), nor had the peninsula in ancient times (any more than *Asia Minor*) a general name, each district being merely designated after the people by whom it was inhabited: e.g. *Ænotria* (the south-western peninsula from the *Laüs*), *Ausonia* or *Opica* (northwards from the *Laüs* to the *Tiber*), *Tyrrhenia* (from the *Tiber* to the *Apennines*), *Umbria* (the north-eastern part of the peninsula), *Iapygia* (its south-eastern part). It was not until the Romans had united the whole peninsula under one government (in 266) that *Italia* became a general name

<sup>1</sup> [As the work of an *unbeliever* it cannot be trusted in those portions that relate to *Christians* or *Christianity*.]

for the entire country, extending northwards to that branch (397) of the Apennines which stretches from the maritime Alps <sup>A</sup> nearly to the Adriatic, and as far as the river Rubicon. Gallia Cisalpina, which had been subdued in the year 221, was called in Cæsar's time (49) Liguria; but, together with the territory of the Carni, Istri, and Venēti, was considered from the time of Augustus a part of Italy; the western boundary of which towards Gaul was now the river Varus [the *Var*], and the eastern the river Arsia [*Arsa*].

We find, however, even at a later period, many of the ancient <sup>B</sup> names employed by both Greek and Latin poets to designate sometimes the whole peninsula, sometimes particular portions. Italy is also called by them Hesperia (literally the land of the West) and Saturnia (perhaps the name given by the ancient Latins to a portion of central Italy).

### § 85. *The Mountains of Italy.*

A. The Alps, which enclose Italy in a direction from 398 south-west to north-east, are divided into three principal ranges, each of which consists of three chains.

1. The Western Alps, consisting of the *Alpes Maritimæ* (from the sea to Viso), the *Alpes Cotticæ*, or Alps of Dauphiné (as far as Mont Cenis), and the *Alpes Graiæ*, or Alps of Savoy (as far as Mont Blanc).

2. The Central Alps, subdivided into the *Alpes Penninæ*, or Valaisian Alps (from Mont Blanc to Monte Rosa), the *Alpes Leponticæ*, or Alps of the Grisons (the St. Gothard), and the *Alpes Rhaeticæ*, or Tyrolean Alps (as far as Grossglockner).

3. The Eastern Alps, consisting of the *Alpes Noricæ*, or Alps <sup>C</sup> of Salzburg and Styria (as far as the Danube at Vienna), the *Alpes Carnicæ*, or Carinthian Alps (as far as Terglu), and the *Alpes Julicæ*, or Alps of Carniola (to the Adriatic sea).

B. The Apenninus, a single chain, with short branches 399 on each side, running from the maritime Alps through the peninsula (of which it occupies the entire centre from north to south), and extending into Sicily, interrupted only by the strait of Messina.

The Apennines, like the Alps, are divided into three sections, <sup>D</sup>  
 1. The *northern* Apenninus, which stretches from the maritime Alps east and south-east, running nearly parallel with the Alps, and separating the plain of the Po from the sea and the Arno. 2. The *central* Apenninus, beginning at the sources of the Arno, forms the peninsula, properly so called (406), and attains its greatest height on the frontier of the kingdom of Naples (in the Abruzzi 7000—9000 feet), and its greatest breadth (from the Tyrrhenian sea to the

- (399) Adriatic, where it terminates in the promontory of Gargānus). 3. The southern Apenninus consists of two arms, of which the eastern is the higher and the western the lower; the two together forming a peninsula. The granite mountains of Sardinia and Corsica belong neither to the Alpine nor Apennine system.

### § 86. *The Waters of Italy.*

- 400 Seas.—Mare Tuscum (Tuscan sea), or Tyrrhēnum, or Infērum—Mare Hadriaticum, or Superum—Mare Internum (Mediterranean).
- 401 Gulfs.—Sinus Ligusticus (gulf of Genoa), Sinus Tarentinus (gulf of Taranto), Sinus Tergestinus (gulf of Trieste).
- 402 Lakes.—*a.* In *Upper Italy*—Lacus Verbānus (Lago Maggiore), L. Larius (Lago di Como), L. Benācus (Lago di Garda). *b.* In *Central Italy*—L. Trasimēnus (Hannibal's third victory, 217, now Lago di Perugia), L. Albānus (Lago di Castello), L. Regillus (battle in 496, now Lago di Regillo), L. Fucīnus (Lago di Celano).
- 403 Rivers.
- a. Running into the Adriatic.*—The two greater Alpine streams, viz., the Athēsis (the Adige) and Padus (Ἡριδανός? now Po), and the small rivers in the narrow eastern strip of land between the Apennines and the sea; viz., the Rubicon (now?), the Metaurus (Metauro—Hasdrubal's defeat in 207), and the Aufīdus (Ofanto).
- c.* The Po rises in the Vesūlus (Monte Viso), and after receiving the waters of thirty tributary streams from the Alps and Apennines, is raised, by means of the alluvial soil deposited in its bed, thirty feet above the level of the surrounding country, which is protected by dams; and, finally, forms with its seven mouths a swampy Delta. The most important tributary streams are—*a.* Rising in the Alps—the Ticīnus (now Tessino, Hannibal's first victory in 248), the Addua (now Adda), and the Mincius (Mincio), which precipitate themselves together from the mountains into one of the greater lakes of Upper Italy, and thence run with clearer water into the Po. *b.* Rising in the Alps—the Trebia (Hannibal's second victory in 218).
- 404 *b. Running into the Tyrrhenian sea.*—From the broader space on the western side of the Apennines—1. The Arnus (Arno), and, 2. the Tibēris (Tevere); the course of which is lengthened by their running at first through valleys, nearly parallel to the coast, and then passing into others at right angles with the former, until they discharge themselves by swampy embouchures into the sea. 3. The



Liris (Garigliano). 4. Vultur nus (Volturno), Silārus (404) (Silaro, victory of Crassus, 71).

The tributary streams of the Tiber are—on the left the Allia (victory of the Gauls, 389), and the Anio (Teverone); and on the right the Cremera (the 300 Fabii).

### § 87. *Soil, Climate, and Products of Italy.*

1. The Italian Lowlands, or plain of the Po, are 405 enclosed on the north-west by the Alps, the summits of A which are covered with eternal snow, and on the south by the lower and less precipitous Apennines; but on the east they are open to a much-frequented inland sea, and are watered by a navigable river, with its numerous tributaries and canals, as well as by four beautiful lakes; and whether we consider the mildness of their climate, the luxuriant vegetation (maize, rice, the vine, fruit and mulberry trees, ever verdant meadows, pastures, &c.), or the industrious and productive habits of the inhabitants, may fairly be ranked among the most highly-favoured countries of Europe.

2. The Italian peninsula, lying westward, south- 406 ward, and south-eastward of the Apennines, is broken up B by an uniform mountain-chain into a number of small valleys, watered by forest streams, and of plains abutting on the coast; and contains, in consequence, a series of districts separated from one another by peculiarities of situation and character. The ridge of this mountain-chain affords merely pasturage; but its sides are covered with chestnut forests of immense extent, and its foot with vineyards, plantations of olives, and orange orchards. Calabria and Sicily have almost an African climate, which permits the cultivation of the palm-tree, the cotton shrub, and the sugar-cane.

The country westward of the Apennines is of a volcanic nature, of 407 which we have distinct indications, a. (as far *northward* as Terracina, C especially on the Campagna di Roma) in the lakes which occupy craters of extinct volcanoes, and in the sulphureous vapours which rise out of holes and clefts in the ground. In southern Tuscany and the Pontine marshes, luxuriant districts are rendered so pestilential by this malaria as to be uninhabitable in summer, and used only for the pasturage of cattle in winter. b. In the *southern* portion of the western side of the peninsula the existence of volcanic matter is still more plainly indicated by the eruptions of Mount Vesuvius (3700 feet), the Phlegræan fields, and Mount Ætna (10,280 feet), by frequent earthquakes, and by the breaking out of fresh volcanoes.

§ 88. *Divisions of Italy.*

- 408 A. Upper Italy contains those districts which were  
 A not reckoned among the Italian states by the Romans until  
 the time of Cæsar and Augustus. 1. Liguria; 2. Gallia  
 Cisalpina, or Togata; 3. the country of the Venēti,  
 with that of the Carni and Istri.
- 409 B. Central Italy contains—  
 a. On the *western side*, Etruria, Latium, and  
 Campania.  
 b. On the *eastern side*, Umbria, Picenum, and  
 Samnium.
- 410 C. Lower Italy—  
 a. On the *western side*, Lucania and Bruttium.  
 b. On the *eastern side*, Apulia and Calabria.
- 411 D. The Islands—  
 Sicilia [Sicily], Sardinia, Corsica, the smaller  
 islands.

§ 89. *The Ancient Inhabitants of Italy.*

## A. The most ancient Races.

- 412 1. The Pelasgi inhabited not only the entire western  
 B coast from the Arnus to the southernmost point of Italy  
 (where the northern portion of them were called *Tyrrhēni*,  
 and the southern *Ænotrii*), but also parts of the eastern  
 coast; the *Venēti* in the north, and the *Daunii* and *Peucetii*  
 in the south, belonging probably to the Pelasgian race.
- 413 2. The Opici, Osci, and Ausōnes, inhabited the  
 western branch of the Apennine chain. To this race be-  
 longed the *Æqui* and *Volsci*, in Latium the *Casci* (or  
*Prisci*), who dwelt at first round the lake Fucinus, and at  
 a later period were driven out by the Sabines, and mi-  
 grated to Latium, and probably the *Apūli* (westward of  
 the Gargānus), who subdued the Pelasgian Daunii.
- 414 3. The Sabelli, an offset of the ancient *Sabini*. The  
 C original seat of the Sabines was among the highest moun-  
 tains of the Abruzzi about Amiternum, whence the super-  
 fluous population migrated in various directions—the  
*Picentes* to Picenum, the *Hernici* to Latium, the *Samnites*  
 to Campania, and the *Lucani* to Lucania. In the ancient  
 seats there remained the Marsi, Peligni, Vestini, and Ma-  
 rucini, who composed a confederacy.
- 415 4. The Umbri, an aboriginal people of Italy, who,

before the immigration of the Etrusci, had spread from the Padus into the country of the Sabines, and probably also into southern Etruria.

5. The Ligüres, whose origin is unknown. At an early period they had considerably transgressed the boundary assigned to Liguria by Augustus (perhaps from the Pyrenees to the Tiber, and in the north as far as the Sevenine and across the Po), but were afterwards driven back by the Ibères on one side, and the Celtæ on the other.

### B. Foreign Settlers.

1. The Etrusci, or Tuscans (Rasëni in their own language), came from Rhætia, being probably driven out by the Celtæ, and entering Upper Italy, drove back the Venetians and Umbrians, and founded in Gallia Cisalpina (of which the Ligurians retained the western part) a confederate state of twelve sovereign cities. At a later period they crossed the Apennines and the Arnus, and founded in Tuscany a second confederate state of twelve cities; having first subdued or expelled the Umbrians and Tyrrhenians, who dwelt between the Arno and the Tiber. At length (about the year 470) they forced their way into Campania, where they founded colonies (probably a third confederate state of twelve cities), such as Capua and Nola; of which, however, they were soon deprived by the Samnites.

### *Religion, &c. of the Etrusci.*

a. Religion. Their gods (in Tuscan *Æsar*) were divided by the Etrusci into two classes. 1. The *higher* or *veiled* divinities, dark mysterious powers, working in secret, whose number was unknown; and, 2. the twelve inferior gods. Jupiter (in Tuscan *Tina*, or *Timia*), occupying probably a middle position between the two classes, and believed to be the centre of the divine world. He consults the higher divinities on matters of importance, whilst those of the lower class compose his ordinary council. Different parts of the creation, e.g. the heavens, water, the infernal regions, &c., were also supposed to be under the protection of *Dæmons* (*Lares*, *Penates*, and *Manes*). A distinguishing characteristic of the Etruscan religion was the prominent position occupied by divination, or the discovery of the divine will by means of auguries. This art, or "discipline," which, according to the legend, was revealed by Tages, the grandson of Jupiter, and at first propagated by tradition in the families of the nobles, was subsequently imparted to all classes in schools set apart for that purpose, and rules for its acquisition, accurately laid down in books (*Etruscæ Disciplinæ Volumina*). This "discipline" assumed that the gods were wont to declare their will to mankind by lightning, the flight and cry of birds, the entrails of victims, and

other signs, which it was the business of the Haruspices to interpret.

- 419 *b.* The Constitution. The whole of Etruria formed a confederacy  
 A of twelve independent cities; but which of these were members of the league cannot be satisfactorily ascertained, as there seem to have been more than twelve, equally independent. Probably some of the twelve nations (πόλεις) of Etruria were not restricted to one capital, but inhabited several cities, independent of each other, but having only one vote in the confederacy. The members of the league had regularly every year religious meetings in the temple of Voltumna (the situation of which cannot be distinctly ascertained). On these occasions public fairs were held, expeditions agreed on by the "principes" of the confederacy, and commanders of the allied forces elected. Each of the allied states had, at least in the earliest times, a king elected for life, and a hereditary nobility, named by the Romans "principes" (= Lucumones?), who alone could aspire to the highest offices in the state. There was also a commonalty personally independent of the nobles, and a crowd of clients, who were probably descendants of the vanquished aborigines (Tyrrheni and Umbri).
- 420 *c.* Arts and Sciences. All the religious celebrations of the  
 B Etruscans, particularly their solemn processions, were accompanied with music (flutes, trumpets, horns, &c.). Scenic art was confined to the dance, in which the performers, without employing words, represented the plot by means of gestures. Their architectural works, city-walls, of the Pelasgian order, indicating the transition from the Cyclopiian style to that in which hewn stones are employed, vaulted gateways, monuments, temples, theatres, and amphitheatres, are of colossal dimensions, and were probably raised by feudal labour; as were also their aqueducts, sewers, dams, and canals, by means of which the Delta of the Po was regulated, and the marshes drained  
 C on the banks of the Arnus. From their famous manufacture of vases, relievos, and statues, in terra cotta, they gradually learnt the art of casting in bronze such articles as ornamental arms, candelabra, patères, &c.: in the production of which they attained a high degree of excellence. Painting was employed partly for the colouring of statues and relievos in stone and clay, and partly, as an independent art, for frescoes on the walls of tombs. In the absence of any legends of native heroism, the Etruscan artists borrowed for the most part their subjects from the Greek mythology, which they were wont to combine, in a modified form, with their local traditions. In Etruscan literature, we find, besides their books of "discipline," a few religious hymns, the Fescennine verses (ribaldrous songs, in alternate verse), and historical notices. From them the Romans borrowed most of their knowledge respecting the interpretation of signs, the designation of numbers by figures, and the division of the month into calends, nones, and ides, as well as the dress and insignia of their magistrates.
- 421 *d.* Commerce. The Tuscans seem at an early period (perhaps even in Homer's time) to have carried on a considerable land traffic  
 D in their settlements on the Po; and also to have brought overland from the coasts of the Baltic the amber which they obtained from Germanic tribes, and subsequently transported by sea into Greece. Their maritime traffic began with piracy in the western Mediterra-

nean, accompanied by the establishment, through commercial leagues, (421) of friendly relations with particular nations, especially with the Carthaginians and Greeks of Lower Italy. The articles of export were partly the natural and artistic productions of those districts of Italy which were in the hands of the Etruscans (grain, iron from Ilva, wine, earthenware, works in bronze, &c.), partly those which they had obtained by traffic with foreigners; amber, for instance. Their imports were the products of the east. A third branch was their *domestic trade*, which was closely connected with the religious festivals, each of them being at the same time a fair; the business of which must have been considerable, since the Etruscan monetary system was adopted by the whole of central Italy.

2. For the Grecian settlements, see § 62. 422

3. The Gauls, a rude offshoot of the great tribe of the Celtæ, which had spread itself over western Europe, migrated (about B.C. 400) in great numbers (300,000) into Italy; a portion of them overrunning Upper Italy and marching upon Rome; whilst the remainder directed their course towards Pannonia.

### § 90. *Topography of Italy.*

#### A. Upper Italy.

1. Liguria, in the time of Augustus, comprehended 423 the line of coast between the rivers Varus and Macra, northwards as far as the Padus. Genua (Genova), chief commercial city of the Ligurians.

2. Gallia Cisalpina, or Togata. 424

This vast plain, which was occupied by the Gauls, is divided by the Po into two parts.

A. *Gallia Cispadana* (inhabited by the Boii, Senōnes, 425 and Lingōnes). Cities.—1. Placentia (Piacenza), at the confluence of the Trebia with the Padus; founded by the Romans in 219. 2. Mutīna (Modēna); defeat of M. Antony in 43). 3. Bononia (Bologna). 4. Ravenna, formerly on the sea-coast, now an inland town; imperial residence from the time of Honorius.

B. *Gallia Transpadana* (inhabited by the Taurini, Insū- 426 bres, and Cenomani). Cities.—1. Augusta Taurinorum (Taurino, Turin), on the Padus (originally the capital of the Taurini, under the name of Taurasia). 2. Vercellæ (Vercelli), defeat of the Cimbrii in the Campi Raudii (101). 3. Ticinum (Pavia), on the Ticinus. 4. Mediolanum (Milano, Milan), under the emperors the seat of the arts and sciences (hence Novæ Athenæ), and frequently the imperial residence. 5. Cremōna on the Padus, founded

by the Romans in 219. 6. Mantua, in a lake formed by the river Mincius; near it was the village of Andes, in which Virgil was born.

427 3. The country of the Venēti.

A Cities.—1. Verōna, on both sides of the Athēsis; amphitheatre for 22,000 spectators. 2. Patavium (Padova, Padua), founded, according to the legend, by Trojan exiles, under the command of Antenor. Birth-place of Livy (hence his "Patavinitas," or provincialism).

From the time of Augustus the following districts were also included in the country of the Venēti:—1. The country of the Carni, with the city of Aquilēia, demolished by Attila (A.D. 452). 2. Istria, with the city of Tergeste (Trieste).

B. Central Italy.

428 1. Etruria, or Tyrrhenia; at a later period also  
B Tuscia.

Boundaries.—On the north, the Macra; east and south, the Tiber; west, the sea. Aboriginal inhabitants—Tyrrhenian Pelasgians; settlers—the Etrusci from Rhætia. The most remarkable of its *twelve sovereign cities*, which were for the most part situated on eminences, were—

1. Cære, where Mezentius ruled, and where the Romans concealed their sacred images during the Gallic war. 2. Veii, the largest and most powerful city of Etruria (100,000 inhabitants), which carried on seven wars against Rome, and after its capture by Camillus (395) remained  
c uninhabited. 3. Tarquinii. 4. Clusium (Chiusi), Porsenna. 5. Perugia (Perugia), defeat of the Etrusci (309): it was destroyed in the Perusian civil war (40). 6. Arretium (Arezzo), the birth-place of Mæcenas.

*Non-sovereign places.*—1. Luca (Lucca). 2. Pise (Pisa), on the Arnus, with the Portus Pisanus (where now stands Livorno, or Leghorn). 3. Florentia (Firenze, Florence), on the Arnus.

429 2. Latium, was divided into *Latium vetus*, from the Tiber to the promontory of Circeii, and *Latium adjectum*, or *novum*, to the Liris. *Latium vetus* was originally inhabited by the Siculi (Tyrrhenian Pelasgians), of whom a considerable number fled into Sicily, when the Casci, retreating before the Sabines, took possession of their country; whilst the remainder, submitting to the invaders, formed

in conjunction with them the nation of the Latini. In (429) contradistinction to the nation thus established by conquest, <sup>A</sup> the Siculi, as the earlier inhabitants of Latium, were also styled aborigines. By degrees there arose thirty small independent states, forming a confederacy, which annually celebrated the feriæ Latinæ on the Alban mount, and held a diet, in a grove near the fountain of Ferentina, for the discussion of questions affecting the general interests of the league. Southward and eastward of Latium vetus dwelt the Æqui, Hernici, Volsci, and Ausōnes; whose territories, after the last Latin war (337), were added to Latium, under the title of Latium novum.

*Cities of the Latini.*—1. Roma, which originally stood 430 on the left bank of the Tiber, on seven hills, Palatinus, <sup>B</sup> Capitolinus, Quirinalis, Viminalis, Esquilinus, Cælius, and Aventinus, to which was added, in the time of Aurelian, the collis Hortulorum (Monte Pincio), the Janiculum and Vaticanus (on the other side of the Tiber), and at a later period the Mons testaceus.

The ancient city of Romulus was confined to the Palatine. On the 431 opposite hill (the Quirinalis) was a Sabine colony, the citizens of which were named Quirites. After the Sabine war these two districts united, forming a single city protected by a fortress on the Capitoline, which they occupied as a common citadel. An addition was made to the city by Tullus Hostilius, who settled the Albans on the Cælian hill, after the demolition of their own city, and by Ancus Martius, who established the vanquished Latins on the Aventine. Tarquinius Priscus drained the swampy flats (particularly the Velâbrum between the Palatine and Aventine), by means of cloâcæ. Servius Tullius surrounded the seven hills with a wall, which extended on the other side the Tiber to the summit of the Janiculum. On the eastern side alone, from the porta Collina to the Esquilina, the <sup>C</sup> city was protected merely by a mound of earth (agger), with fosses. Servius divided the city into four regions. (Suburana, Esquilina, Collina, and Palatina.) When Rome was burnt by the Gauls, the whole city was destroyed as far as the Capitoline hill, and subsequently rebuilt without any regular plan. From the time of the Punic war, and still more from the reign of Augustus (who divided the city into fourteen regions), there were considerable additions and embellishments. After the conflagration in Nero's reign, the three districts which had been laid in ashes were rebuilt and presented a uniform appearance. Aurelian entirely surrounded the city with a new wall (with towers, battlements, and breastworks), and under Diocletian Rome had attained her highest pitch of beauty and splendour; but with the transfer of the imperial residence to Byzantium, the prosperity of the ancient capital began rapidly to decline,

and several quarters were gradually deserted, especially after the sack and pillage of the city by the Goths (410), and Vandals (455).

- 432 The *mons Capitolinus*, originally Saturnius, consisted of two portions separated by the "intermontium." The southernmost of these rocky peaks was the *rupes Tarpeia* (approached by the *centum gradus*), the northern, which was fortified, was named *arx*. On the southwestern side (according to Niebuhr), stood the temple of Jupiter Capitolinus, built by Tarquinius Superbus, which was thrice burnt (B.C. 84, A.D. 69 and 80). Between the Capitoline and Palatine was the *forum Romanum*, anciently the *velabrum* (now *campo vaccino*), divided by the *rostra*, (so named from the beaks of the Antian ships, anciently "templum," or stage from which orators addressed the people,) into the *cornitium* (place of meeting for the patricians), and the forum properly so called (where the plebeians assembled). Near the comitium stood the *curia Hostilia*, originally the citadel of king Tullus Hostilius, which was granted by that monarch to the senate for their sittings. The building was destroyed by a fire, which broke out during the burning of the dead body of Clodius, and was subsequently restored by Cæsar, who gave it the name of *curia Julia*. Between the Palatine and Aventine was the *Circus Maximus* (which held, at the lowest estimate, 150,000 persons; according to A. Victor, 385,000). The handsomest streets were the *Via Sacra* (leading from the Colosseum to the forum), and the *Carinæ*, between the Esquiline and Cælian. The most considerable place of public resort was the *Campus Martius*, which was used for gymnastic exercises, reviews of the army, and the *comitia centuriata*. At a later period it was surrounded by public buildings.

- 433 The most important buildings were, among the *temples* (of which there were more than 400), that of Jupiter Capitolinus, and the Pantheon of Agrippa (now Santa Maria della Rotonda); among the *palaces*, the golden house of Nero, which not only covered the whole of the Palatine, but even extended as far as the Esquiline, and comprehended within its walls temples, baths, groves, race-courses, &c. Among the *theatres*, the three built by Pompey (for 40,000 spectators), that of Marcellus (with 30,000 seats); among the *amphitheatres* the *Amphitheatrum Flavium*, (afterwards the Colosseum [*Coliseo*],) begun by Vespasian, and completed by Titus. It contained 100,000 persons. Among the baths, or *Thermæ*, those of Titus (in which the group of the Laocoon was discovered), of Caracalla and Diocletian; among the *columns*, the *columna rostrata* Duilli, in the Forum Romanum, and the pillar of Trajan in the Forum Ulpium. Among the *monuments*, the mausoleum of Augustus, the *moles Hadriani* (now the castle of St. Angelo), and the Septizonium of Septimius Severus; and among the *triumphal arches*, those of Titus, Septimius Severus, and Constantine. Besides these buildings there were several porticos (ten), basilicæ (thirty-seven), gates (eighteen), fora (ten), circuses, *naumachis*, obelisks, statues (the bronze colossal statue of Nero, and that of M. Aurelius, which has been preserved), *odæ* (twenty), aqueducts, cloâcæ, &c. &c.

The environs of the city (especially on the sixteen scientifically constructed roads leading to all parts of Italy) were crowded with



innumerable villas, sepulchral monuments, and ornamental buildings A of every description. Underneath both the city and the via Appia were catacombs.

2. Ostia; founded at the mouth of the Tiber by Ancus 434 Martius, as the port of Rome. 3. Laurentum, also on the coast, where Latinus was king when Æneas landed in Italy. 4. Lavinium, built, according to the legend, by Æneas, and—5. Alba Longa, on the slope of the Alban hill (where the *feriæ Latinæ* were held), and on the border of the Alban lake (the mother city of Rome, if we may believe tradition). It was destroyed by Tullus Hostilius. 6. Tusculum (near the modern Frascati), surrounded by numerous villas (Cicero's Tusculanum). 7. Prænestes (now Palestrina), built on the B slope of a hill in the form of terraces; and strongly fortified. It was demolished in the civil wars of Sulla (82). 8. Gabii, said to have been taken by stratagem, by S. Tarquinius. 9. Tibur (now Tivoli), on the Anio, a favourite residence of the Roman nobles, and consequently surrounded by villas (those of Mæcenæ and others). 10. Collatia, the residence of Tarquinius Collatinus, the husband of Lucretia.

*Other nations in Latium.* 1. The *Rutuli*, with the city 435 of Ardea, which was besieged by Tarquinius Superbus. 2. The *Hernici* (with the city Anagnia). 3. The *Volsci* and *Æqui*, with the cities of Antium (taken and deprived of its fleet in 338). Terracina (or Anxur), Suessa Pometia (stormed by Tarquin the Proud), Fregellæ, Arpinum, the birth-place of Marius and Cicero, Corioli (see § 106). 4. Some of the *Ausones*, or *Aurunci*, with the city of Minturnæ on the Liris (Marius).

3. Campania (from the Liris to Silarus).

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Inhabitants: Tyrrhenian Pelasgians, then Opicii (Ausonians), Greek settlements on the coast, and immigrations of the Etruscans, whose dominion was speedily crushed by an invasion of the Samnites. From the amalgamation of the Samnite invaders with the earlier inhabitants of the country, the Opici, Greeks, and Etruscans, sprang the Campanians. Mountains: the Gaurus on the Gulf of Puteoli (first defeat of the Samnites, 342), Vesuvius (defeat of the Latins, 339), Falernian and Massic wines. *Cities.*—a. *On the coast.* 1. Cumæ, the most ancient

- (436) Greek colony in Italy, founded by emigrants from Chalcis  
 A in Eubœa (B. C. 1030?), with its port Dicæarchia (the modern Puteoli). In the vicinity was the lake Avernus ("Aopvoç), near which was a cavern, believed to be the entrance to the infernal regions. 2. Misenum, a sea-port. 3. Baiæ, a bathing place; near it was the lacus Lucrinus, out of which arose, in the year 1538, the monte nuovo. 4. Neapōlis (Napoli, Naples), near it was Parthenōpe, or Palaiopolis, a colony of Cumæ. 5. Herculaneum (over which now stands the cities of Portici and Resina), Pompeii, and Stabiæ, at the foot of Vesuvius (by an eruption of which they were destroyed, A. D. 79). The two first were again brought to light in the eighteenth century, and afforded a  
 B rich harvest to the antiquarian. b. *Cities in the interior.*

1. Capua; at first a Tyrrhenian settlement under the name of Vulturnum, then Etruscan, afterwards Samnite, and lastly, a Roman municipium, and the second city of Italy, until it espoused the cause of Hannibal, when it was a second time captured, and suffered the vengeance of the conqueror; it continued, however, to be an important city until the middle ages. 2. Nola (second defeat of Hannibal); Augustus died there A. D. 14.

- c The *Picentini* were transplanted by the Romans from Picenum into southern Campania, for the purpose of cutting off the Samnites from the lower sea. Principal sea-port, Salernum.

- 437 4. Umbria (from the Rubicon to the Æsis and Nar).  
*Cities.*—a. *On the coast.* 1. Arimīnum (Rimini). 2. Sena (Sinigaglia, Hannibal defeated in 207). b. *In the interior,* Sentīnum (defeat of the Samnites, 295).

- 438 5. Picenum.

Inhabitants—originally Pelasgians, afterwards Picentians, a Sabine people. *Cities.*—1. Ancona (Ἀγκών). 2. Asculum Picenum (Ascoli), sacked in the war of the confederates.

- 439 6. Samnium.

- D Inhabitants—the Sabines, and their offspring the Sabelli. A. The *Sabines* with the cities, 1. Cures (-ium), capital of the Sabines (where T. Tatius reigned, and Numa Pompilius was born). 2. Fidēnæ. 3. Crustumerium, in the territory of which stood the mons sacer. 4. Amiternum (birth-place of Sallust). B. The *Sabelli*: a. the *Samnites*

(*Σαυῖραι*), whose dominions, previously to their wars with (439) the Romans, extended from the Hadriatic sea to the <sup>A</sup> Tyrrhenian, with the cities—1. *Beneventum* (Benevento), originally *Maleventum* (defeat of Pyrrhus in 275). 2. *Bovianum* (battle in 305). *Caudium*, with the pass called the *furculæ Caudinæ* (victory of Pontius, the Samnite general, in 321). b. The confederacy of the *Marsi*, *Peligni* (with the cities, *Corfinium*, capital of the Italian confederacy, and *Sulmo*, the birth-place of Ovid), *Marrucini* and *Vestini*. c. The *Hirpini* and *Frentani*.

### C. Lower Italy, or Magna Græcia.

1. *Lucania* and *Bruttium* (separated by the river 440 *Laus*).

**Inhabitants.**—The *Cenotrii*, who were Grecized by <sup>B</sup> Grecian settlements on the coast, were subdued by the *Lucanians* (*Sabelli*), and reduced to the condition of serfs. At a later period, however, they rose against their oppressors, and, with the assistance of the *Osci*, wrested from them the southern half of the district, hence their name *Bruttii*, i. e. revolted serfs. To these we may add the Greek settlements on the coast, viz., *Cities in Lucania*—1. *Sybāris* (510, destroyed by the *Crotoniates*—its luxury). [*Posidonia*, or *Pæstum* (of which magnificent ruins still remain), was founded by settlers from this city.] 2. *Thurii*, founded by the Athenians (446), in the vicinity of the demolished *Sybāris*. 3. *Helia* (also *Velia* and *Eleā*), seat of the *Eleatic* school of philosophy. 4. *Heraclēa* (victory of Pyrrhus, 280). *Cities in Bruttium*—(now *Calabria*), 1. *Croton*, near the promontory of *Lacinium* (its inhabitants destroy *Sybāris*; school of *Pythagoras*, the *Athletes*, *Milo*). 2. *Rhegium* (*Reggio*). 3. *Locri Epizephyrrii* (the lawgiver *Zaleucus*). 4. *Consentia*, capital of the *Bruttii*. *Alaric* died here, and was buried in the bed of the *Busentinus*.

2. *Apulia* and *Calabria*, named by the Greeks 441 *Iapygia*. <sup>D</sup>

**Inhabitants.**—*Messapians*, *Peucetians*, and *Daunians*; hence, *Apulia* was divided by the *Aufidus* into *Apulia* *Peucetia* and *Ap. Daunia*. The *Byzantines*, after losing

- (441) the south-eastern peninsula, transferred the name of Calabria to the south-western. *Cities in Apulia*.—1. Luceria (§ 114). 2. Asculum Apulum (victory of Pyrrhus in 279). 3. Cannæ (fourth victory of Hannibal in 216). 4. Venusia (a Roman colony established after the Samnite wars; birth-place of Horace). *Cities in Calabria*.—1. Brundisium (Brindisi), usual port of embarkation for Greece (to Dyrrhachium). 2. Tarentum (Τάρας; now Tarento), founded by the Parthenii from Sparta; the most flourishing commercial and manufacturing Grecian city in Italy (with 300,000 inhabitants), Archytas; ten years' war with the Romans.

#### D. The Islands.

- 442 1. Sicilia (Σικελία, Σικανία, Τρινακρία).

**B** This island, the granary of Italy, studded in ancient times with magnificent cities, and possessing an unusually numerous population, was separated from the Italian peninsula by the Sicilian strait (now str. of Messina), in which the currents of the Adriatic and Tyrrhenian seas met, and formed the whirlpools known by the names of Scylla and Charybdis. A continuation of the Apennines, which extends along the northern coast, and sends out a branch towards the south-east, gives the island its form, which is triangular, terminating in three promontories (Pelōrum, Pachynum, and Lilybæum). **C** The most fertile part of the island is the volcanic formation on the eastern coast, where Mount Ætna (Mongibello), rises to the height of 10,000 feet.

- 443 **Inhabitants**.—The Sicani (probably immigrants from Iberia), were driven back in the south and west part of the island, by the Siculi, who came from Latium; Phœnician and Greek settlements, the former on the north-western coast (they afterwards joined the Carthaginians), the latter **D** on the southern and western coasts. *Cities*.—**a**. *In the east*, 1. Messāna (anciently Zancle, now Messina), where the Messenians, and, at a later period, the Mamertines, formed settlements. 2. Tauromenium (with a theatre, which still remains, capable of holding from 30,000 to 40,000 spectators). 3. Catāna (Catania), at the foot of Mount Ætna. 4. Syracusæ (Siragossa), a fourfold city

(Ortygia, Archradina, Tycha, Neapolis), a Corinthian (443) colony founded in 735. At the period of its greatest prosperity it contained probably a million of inhabitants. <sup>a</sup> *In the south*—1. Gela (a Rhodian colony), and its daughter cities. 2. Agrigentum (Girgenti, with its magnificent remains of Greek temples, one of which, the temple of Zeus Olympios, is described by Diodorus as the largest in the world). 3. Selinus. <sup>c</sup> *In the west and north*—1. Lilybæum (the Phœnician Motye). 2. Drepana. 3. Segeste, or Egesta. 4. Panormus (Palermo). 5. Himëra (Gelon's victory in 480). <sup>d</sup> *In the interior*—Henna (Enna). (Rape of Proserpine; outbreak of the first servile war.)

### 2. Sardinia (Σαρδῳία and Σαρδῳίν).

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The two neighbouring islands of Sardinia and Corsica <sup>b</sup> are essentially distinguished from the mainland of Italy by the granite formation of their mountains, as well as by the rugged character of their inhabitants. The Sardinians lived in caves, and were clothed in the skins of wild beasts. The only parts of Sardinia which enjoyed the blessings of civilization were a few Phœnician, and, at a later period, Carthaginian, settlements on the coast. Capital, Carālis (Cagliari), on the southern coast.

### 3. Corsica (Κύρνος).

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Inhabitants.—Ligurians, and Iberians, Phocæans (see <sup>c</sup> § 21), Carthaginians. The Phocæans founded on the eastern coast the city of Alalia, which afterwards as a Roman colony, bore the name of Aleria.

### 4. The smaller Islands.

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1. Ilva (Αἰθαια, now Elba), on the Etruscan coast. <sup>d</sup> It abounds in iron. 2. Capreæ (now Capri), opposite Naples; the favorite residence of Tiberius. 3. The (eleven) insulæ Æoliæ, or Vulcaniæ (now the Lipari islands), the largest was called Lipāra. 4. The Ægātes (-ādes, now the Ægadian islands). Naval victory of Lutatius Catulus over the Carthaginians (242). 5. Melīte (Malta), with its capital of the same name, a Phœnician colony. Under the rule of Carthage its trade and manufactures were exceedingly flourishing.

## B. History of events antecedent to the building of Rome.

### § 91. *Legend concerning the immigration of the Trojans into Latium.*

447 It would seem that previously to the Trojan immigration, Latium had been visited by an Arcadian prince, named Evander, who built the city of Palatium, on the hill of the same name, and introduced arts and civilization into Italy. With the aid of Hercules, who came from Iberia, Evander is reported to have vanquished and slain a giant named Cacus, who dwelt on the Aventine (?). At a later period, so runs the tale, Æneas, accompanied by a few Trojans, and bearing with him the statues of his country's gods, landed in the dominions of the Laurentian king, LATINUS, and married his daughter LAVINIA. The first settlement in Italy was named by the Trojans, Troja. Afterwards they founded Lavinium (on the spot to which a sow had fled from the knife of the sacrificer).

B Turnus, king of the Rutuli (at Ardea), to whom Lavinia had been previously betrothed, declares war against Æneas and Latinus, and is vanquished in a battle in which Latinus loses his life. Turnus then, in conjunction with Mezentius, king of Cere, renews the war, and is also slain. The Latins nevertheless are driven from the field, and Æneas throws himself into the river Numicius, and thenceforward receives divine honours under the name of Jupiter Indiges. Iulus (Ascanius), the son of Æneas, slays Mezentius, and becomes sovereign of Latium.

448 Thirty years after the building of Lavinium, Ascanius led the Latins from the pestilential Maremna to the slope of the Alban Mount, where he founded the city of Alba Longa.

C The catalogue of fourteen kings, from Ascanius to Amulius, is of very doubtful authenticity, whether we regard the suspicious character of the names (which are sometimes repetitions of those which occur in previous or subsequent history, sometimes mere adaptations of geographical names, set down at random without any connecting narrative), or the exact agreement of the dates with the canon of Eratosthenes, and not with the usual Roman chronology.

## C. History of Rome.

### § 92. *Legend concerning the building of Rome.*

449 This myth is known to us under two principal forms :  
1. Ilia, the daughter of Æneas, was the mother of

Romulus. 2. Procas, king of Alba, left two sons, Numi- (449)  
tor and Amulius; the latter of whom wrested the sove- A  
reignty from his elder brother, killed his nephew, and  
enrolled his niece Silvia among the vestal virgins. The  
maiden became pregnant by Mars, and brought forth twin  
sons, Romulus and Remus, who were exposed, by com-  
mand of Amulius, at the foot of the Palatine, on a spot  
flooded by the Tiber, which in after times was indicated  
by the ficus Ruminalis. The children however escaped  
death, being suckled by a she-wolf and fed by a wood-  
pecker, until they were discovered by the herdsman of  
Faustinus, who placed them under the care of his wife,  
Acca Larentia. As soon as they were grown up, the B  
brothers slew Amulius and replaced Numitor on the  
throne. A dispute respecting the building of their new  
city is decided in favour of Romulus by the flight of  
twelve vultures—Remus slain by his brother. Comme-  
moration of the building of Rome, 21st April (festival of  
the Palilia).

#### FIRST PERIOD.

#### Rome under Kings.

(B.C. 753—510.)

#### § 93. *Romulus.*

Reigned thirty-seven years (from B.C. 753 to 716).

The new city was soon peopled by the opening of an 450  
asylum for malefactors of every description; and the c  
overtures of Romulus for matrimonial alliances with the  
neighbouring nations having been contemptuously rejected,  
thirty Latin and Sabine maidens, who had been invited  
with their parents to the festival of the Consualia, were  
forcibly carried off by the Roman soldiers. Hence war  
with *three Latin cities* (Cænina, Antemnæ, and Crustu-  
merium), which were subdued one after the other; and  
with the *Sabines*, whose king, Titus Tatius, was admitted  
into the capitol by the treachery of Tarpeia. A peace  
being concluded through the intervention of the captive  
maidens themselves, the Romans and Sabines (Quirites)  
formed a united commonwealth, which was governed, until

- (450) the death of Tatius, by the two kings conjointly—100  
 A Sabines were also admitted into the senate founded by Romulus, which had previously consisted of 100 Roman members. War with Fidenæ (related in almost the same terms as that which happened in 424), and with Veii (Romulus slays 8000 Etruscans!). During an eclipse of the sun Romulus is carried up into heaven in a chariot of fire by his father Mars, and appearing to Proculus Julius, enjoins the people, through him, to pay divine honours to their late monarch as the god Quirinus.

*Interregnum* for a year.

### § 94. *Numa Pompilius.*

Reigned thirty-nine years [according to Livy forty-three years],  
 from 715 to 672.

- 451 Numa Pompilius, of Cures, son-in-law of T. Tatius,  
 B was chosen *out of* the Sabines *by* the Romans. He divided the conquered lands among the people, and under the instruction of the Camena Egeria, commenced the establishment of a regular system of religious worship, appointing 1. the Pontifices; 2. the Augures; 3. the Flamīnes, or priests of the temples; 4. the Vestales; 5. the Salii Palatini, and probably also (6.) the Fetiales (see § 165). To him also is ascribed the division of the year into twelve months, as well as the building of the temple of Janus, which remained closed during the whole of his peaceful reign.

### § 95. *Niebuhr's view of the origin and earliest inhabitants of Rome.*

- 452 The inhabitants of Rome (a Siculian, and subsequently  
 c a Latin settlement on the Palatine, founded at an unknown period), having formed matrimonial alliances (represented in the myth by the rape of the Sabine virgins), and political engagements with the Quirites, who inhabited the opposite hills of Capitolinus and Quirinalis; the two nations soon became *one* state, with *one* senate, *one* general assembly of the people, and *one* king, chosen *by* one of the two nations *out of* the other. Hence the term *Populus Romanus* (et) *Quirites*.



Before the formation of the plebs<sup>1</sup>, the Roman people<sup>453</sup> consisted of Patrons and Clients (dependents, from <sup>A</sup> the verb *cluere*, κλύω), a distinction almost universally recognized by the Italian nations, although no historical record exists of its origin. No doubt the victorious Casci brought many clients with them, and this number was augmented by the admission of foreigners and emancipated serfs, and even by the voluntary assumption (by the plebeians) of a status which afforded many important advantages.

The patron was bound to protect his client, plead his cause before the tribunals, and, if he were poor, assign him a portion of land for his support—in return for these benefits the client was expected to contribute towards the portions of his patron's daughters, release him from arrest for debt, assist him in the payment of taxes, &c. -

To these *Romans* and *Quirites* (who enjoyed equal<sup>454</sup> rights), was added at a very early period a third com-<sup>B</sup>ponent part of the Roman people—the *Lucères* (of uncertain origin), who possessed inferior privileges, and thence were styled *gentes minores*. Thus the most ancient division of the Roman people was into three tribes—*Ramnes* (Romans), *Tities* (Sabines), and *Lucères*. The three tribes were subdivided into thirty *curiæ*, and these into 300 *gentes*—consequently, each tribe comprised 100 *gentes*, and thence was also termed a *centuria*. Each tribe<sup>C</sup> was presided over by a *tribunus*, each *curia* by a *curio*, and each *gens* by a *decurio*, who were their magistrates in peace, and leaders in war. The families of a *gens* were not necessarily allied by blood, but merely formed a

<sup>1</sup> According to Niebuhr's latest views (I. 452, 3rd edit.) the Roman plebs was composed of the most heterogeneous elements. The community of which the nucleus had been formed in the three original cities, owed almost all its importance to the subsequent accession of Latins from the places conquered by the early kings of Rome, especially by Ancus Martius. These Latins were sometimes permitted to reside in their own country, and sometimes transferred to Rome—but in either case they enjoyed all the privileges of Roman citizens. According to Walter (*Geschichte des Röm Rechts*, S. 11), the origin of the patricians may be traced to the Casci, who took possession of the greater part of the land on the conquest of Latium, and that of the plebeians to the vanquished Siculi, who were permitted to retain a portion of the soil.

- (454) corporation the members of which were connected by  
 A common *sacra*, the obligation imposed on them to assist  
 one another, and the right of inheritance. They all bore  
 the same *nomen gentile*. Each *gens* sent its president  
 (*decurio*) as a deputy to the senate, which consequently  
 contained 300 members.

§ 96. *The earliest constitution of Rome under Servius  
 Tullius.*

- 455 The supreme authority was divided between the king,  
 B the senate, and the *comitia* of the *curiæ*.

The King was chosen for life by the *curiæ* (at first by  
 those of *one* tribe), on the nomination of the senate; and  
 after the election had been ratified by a favorable augury  
 from the gods, was invested with the sovereign authority  
 (according to the provisions of the *lex curiata de imperio*)  
 by the *curiæ* of all the tribes. This authority was three-  
 fold—*priestly*, *judicial*, and *military*. The first was ex-  
 exercised when the king offered sacrifice for all his people;  
 as judge, he sat every nine days to hear complaints, and  
 either decided disputes himself, or commissioned judges to  
 c perform that duty. From this sentence the patricians, how-  
 ever, enjoyed the right of a *provocatio* to the citizens. Lastly,  
 as commander-in-chief he possessed *unlimited* power in  
 time of war, and during his absence in the field was repre-  
 sented at home by a senator nominated by himself, with  
 the title of *custos urbis*. A certain portion of the *ager*  
*publicus* was set apart for his support.

- 456 The Senate, which at first consisted of 100 members,  
 after the union of the Romans and Quirites of 200, and  
 from the time of Tarquinius Priscus of 300, and was  
 divided into thirty *decuriæ*, was called together by the  
 king for the dispatch of public business.

- 457 The *Comitia Curiata*, in which the patricians alone,  
 D and not their clients, took part, decided questions of war  
 and peace, the adoption of new laws, and the choice of  
 the king and other officers, but were always restricted to  
 the consideration of subjects proposed by the senate.

During the interval between the death of a king and the  
 election of his successor, the ten chief members of the

senate (*i. e.* the presidents of the ten decuriæ of the (457) Ramnes) acted as *Interrēges*, each of them being invested with sovereign authority and bearing the insignia of royalty for five days. If at the expiration of fifty days a new king were not chosen, the cycle began afresh.

### § 97. *Tullus Hostilius.*

Reigned thirty-two years (672—640).

A war with Alba Longa, the head of the Latin confederacy, which had broken out in consequence of mutual depredations, was decided favorably for the Romans, by a victory gained, according to the legend, by the three Horatii (Romans?) over the three Curiatii (Albans?), in a combat proposed by the Alban dictator, Mettius Fuffetius. The surviving Horatius murders his sister; but the sentence of death passed on him is remitted at the intercession of his father.

Second war with Veii and Fidenæ, at the instigation of Mettius Fuffetius, whose attempted desertion to the enemy in the midst of a battle is punished by the tearing of his body into four quarters. Alba is levelled with the ground, and its inhabitants transported to the Cælian mount. During a successful war with the Sabines, a pestilence breaks out at Rome. Tullus himself sickens, and is slain by lightning as he stands before the altar.

### § 98. *Ancus Marcius.*

Reigned twenty-three years (according to Cicero; according to Livy twenty-four years, 640—616).

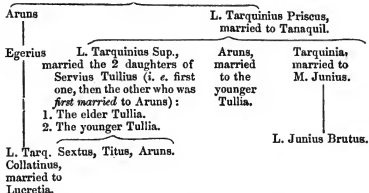
Ancus, the son of Numa's daughter, caused the laws respecting religion to be written out, and exposed to view in a public place.

A war with four Latin cities (Politorium, Tollēnæ, Ficana, and Medullia), occasioned by depredations in the Roman territories, was speedily terminated, and the inhabitants transferred to the Aventine. Ancus founded Ostia, the first Roman colony, built the *carcer*, erected the *pons Sublicius*, and fortified the *Janiculum*.

§ 99. *L. Tarquinius Priscus.*

Reigned thirty-eight years (616—578).

Damaratus



- 460 Tarquinius, a son according to the legend, of the  
 A Bacchiad Damaratus, who took refuge at Tarquinii from  
 the tyranny of Cypselus of Corinth, came to Rome with  
 his wife Tanaquil, and was appointed guardian of the sons  
 of Ancus, but, after the death of that prince, was himself  
 chosen king, and thus put an end to the alternate choice of  
 Roman and Quiritic kings. His victories (over the Latini,  
 Sabini, and Æqui, and according to Dionysius the over-  
 throw of twelve Etruscan cities), are less memorable than  
 his architectural labours and the changes which he effected  
 B in the constitution. He began the wall round the city,  
 which was completed by Servius, built the cloacæ, and  
 in the valleys thus drained laid the foundations of the Forum,  
 and of the Circus Maximus for the celebration of the  
 ludi Romani or magni. At the same time he increased  
 the number of senators to 300 by the admission of the  
 Lucæres, and that of the vestals to six; and was inclined  
 to form three new tribes out of the plebeians, whom his  
 various conquests had rendered exceedingly numerous;  
 but the opposition of the ruling order (the Augur Attus  
 Navius) compelled him to content himself with *merely*  
*doubling the number of the gentes* by a selection from the  
 plebeians. These new gentes were enrolled (with inferior  
 privileges) among the ancient gentes with the title of  
 Ramnes, Tities, and Luceres *secundi*. In the same manner

the three ancient knightly tribes were retained, but the (460) number of knights was doubled, so as to form six centuries. A Tarquin died by the hand of an assassin, at the instigation of the sons of Ancus.

### § 100. *Servius Tullius.*

Reigned forty-four years (578—534).

According to the legend, Servius was the offspring of 461 some god by Ocrisia, a female slave of Queen Tanaquil (hence his name of Servius). In consequence of a luminous appearance on his head, Servius is educated as the king's son, whose daughter he marries, and after his death becomes viceroy, and subsequently king (successful war against Veii). He obtained for Rome admission into the Latin confederacy, and built a second confederate temple (that of Diana) on the Aventine, where the Roman king offered sacrifice for Romans and Latins, as the head of the Latin confederacy did at the *feriæ Latinæ* on the Alban Mount. For the wall of Servius Tullius, see § 90. He was murdered by his son-in-law L. Tarquinius Superbus, who, after the assassination of his brother Aruns, had married his widow Tullia, the murderess of her own sister, and placed himself at the head of those senators who were discontented with the institutions of Servius (see § 101). B

### § 101. *The Constitution of Servius Tullius.*

The chief object of the constitution of Servius Tullius 462 was the organization of the Plebs, a new and important order, which had been created, principally since the reign of Ancus Martius, by the naturalization of the inhabitants of conquered places, and possessed no inconsiderable influence, in consequence of its numbers and property. It consisted exclusively of free agriculturists<sup>1</sup>, dwelling in the city and suburbs, but chiefly in the country towns and hamlets. Servius was well aware that the only security for the maintenance of peace at home, and for the prosperity of the republic, was the admission of these

<sup>1</sup> The names of persons engaging in trade or mechanical employments, or convicted of gross offences, were erased from the register of their Tribus, and placed among the *æerarii*.

(462) supplemental citizens to political privileges, and to a participation in the distinctions enjoyed by others. He therefore commenced his reforms with the partition of the Roman territories into thirty "regiones;" viz., the city into four urbanæ (Suburana, Esquilina, Collina, Palatina), and the country into twenty-six rusticæ. The plebeians settled in each region formed a community, which, like the patrician tribes, was denominated *Tribus*, and had a tribune as its president. Thus the plebeians in the thirty tribes corresponded to the patricians in the thirty *curiæ*.

463 With the view of extending the enjoyment of civil rights to the plebeians (especially as regarded the privilege of voting), and of defining, at the same time, the extent of their liability to taxation and the performance of military service, Servius introduced (with reference to the assemblies of the people and the muster of the army) a new division of the inhabitants into *Centuriæ*, in which the patricians (and their clients?) were comprehended, together with the plebeians. According to this division, the nation consisted of three grand component parts, viz.—

c A. Eighteen centuries of knights (or cavalry soldiers), six patrician and twelve plebeian.

B. The infantry, divided into five classes, or 170 centuries.

1. Those who possessed at least

|    |   |         |                              |
|----|---|---------|------------------------------|
|    |   | 100,000 | asses = 80 centuries.        |
| 2. | " | 75,000  | } each<br>20 = 60 centuries. |
| 3. | " | 50,000  |                              |
| 4. | " | 25,500  |                              |
| 5. | " | 12,000  | " 30 centuries.              |

D C. Those not comprehended in the classes, seven (or five) centuries, viz.—

1. Fabri, one century.

2. Liticines and cornicines, two centuries.

3. Accensi and velati (with 1500—12,500 asses), two centuries (?).

4. Proletarii (with 375—1500 asses), one century.

5. Capite censi (with less than 375 asses), one century<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> This representation of the *Centuriæ* (as collected by Niebuhr from ancient testimonies, especially Cic. de Rep. ii. 22) differs but little from the accounts given by Dionysius and Livy; and that only in the case of the centuries which were not comprehended in the

Each century had a voice in the assembly of the people ; 464 the votes of the knights and the first class deciding the A question, provided they voted on the same side. They formed also, in war, divisions, of course of very unequal strength. Thus there existed a very intimate connexion between the military and civil constitutions of the kingdom ; the same men (the cavalry and heavy-armed) who led the charge in the field deciding the questions proposed in the assembly of the people. In each of the five classes, half the number of centuries assigned to the class belonged to the juniors, and the other half to the seniors, in order that the latter, although inferior in numbers, might possess their full share of influence. Tradesmen and artisans who possessed no landed property formed a distinct class ; the members of which were exempt from military service, but were liable to taxation, and thence called *æuarii*.

The property qualification was settled by the Census, which was 465 held in each *lustrum* (every five years<sup>1</sup>), at first by the king, then by the consuls, and at a later period by the censors. It comprehended houses, lands, slaves, cattle, brass, and the precious metals. Each Roman was compelled, under heavy penalties, to give in an account of all these items, as well as of the births and deaths in his family, the attainment of the age of puberty by any of its members, and all changes of residence or transfers of property. The administration of the public exchequer was entrusted to two *quæstores classici*.

The *comitia centuriata*, *i. e.* the general assembly 466 of the people, convoked by the king on the Campus Mar- o tius, was invested by Servius with the threefold privilege hitherto enjoyed by the *comitia curiata*, viz.—1. The right of adopting new laws ; 2. the election of kings ; and, 3. the decision of questions relating to peace and war. In elections and legislation, however, they possessed merely the right of accepting or rejecting candidates, or

classes. These writers make no distinction between the *proletarii* and the *capite censi* (a distinction expressly stated by Gell. xvi. 10) ; both also make two centuries of *fabri*, &c. Cic. (l. c.) knew of but one. Moreover, Dionysius makes no mention of the *accensi* and *relati*, and consequently reckons 193 centuries. Livy makes 194 centuries, one consisting of the *accensi*. In recent investigations the number 193 is generally retained, as being mentioned in three distinct passages of Dionysius.

<sup>1</sup> This was decidedly the older signification of the word *lustrum*, but it never acquired the *fixed* meaning that belonged to the Greek *Olympiad*.

(466) measures proposed to them by the senate; and even this  
 A signification of their acquiescence in any proposal had not the force of law until it was confirmed by the *curiæ*. By the laws of the twelve tables, the *judicia capitis* (decisions respecting offences punishable by death or banishment) were committed to the *comitia centuriata*.

#### 467 The Military Constitution.

1. The *knight*s (*equites*) served on horseback. The state granted them 10,000 asses for their outfit, and an annual allowance of 2000 asses (the payment of which was charged on rich virgins, widows, and orphans) for the support of a war-horse, and the maintenance of a mounted yeoman with his horse. The *census equester*—one million of asses—belongs to a later period. See § 131.

B 2. The classes, and only they [cf. 463 D], were equally divided into centuries of *juniore*s and *seniore*s; the former, which comprehended all males between the ages of sixteen and forty-five, being destined for service in the field, the latter (from forty-six to sixty) for the defence of the city. The Roman legion consisted originally of 1200 men. The three first classes were heavily armed, and the fourth lightly. The fifth served as slingers in front of the line.

3. The *accensi* and *velati* stood apart from the legion: "but one by one they filled up the gaps that were made, and received arms for that purpose." Niebuhr i. 441.

4. The *Proletarii* were armed by the state only in extraordinary cases,—the *capite censi* and *ararii* never.

### § 102. *L. Tarquinius Superbus*.

Reigned twenty-five years (534—510).

468 Without any election on the part of the people, or con-  
 c firmation by the *curiæ*, Tarquin ascended the throne of his murdered father-in-law, and commenced his cruel and oppressive reign under the protection of a body-guard, which enabled him to bid defiance to the resentment of his subjects. The senate, reduced by murders and banishments, was no longer convoked; heavy taxes were imposed on the plebeians, who were not only deprived of the privileges conferred on them by Servius, but compelled to perform feudal service; the Latins and Hernicans were subjugated, and Tarquin presided as head of the Latin confederacy at the *feriæ Latinæ* on the Alban Mount.

#### 469 His Wars.

1. He is said to have carried *Suessa Pomertia* by storm, sold its inhabitants (the city nevertheless was recaptured in 503), and employed the booty in building the Capitoline temple of Jupiter, and those of Juno and Minerva, where



the three Sibylline books, purchased from an unknown old (469) woman, were preserved in a subterraneous cell by two <sup>A</sup> (afterwards by ten, and from the time of Sulla fifteen) guardians.

2. *Gabii*, which had refused to join the Roman alliance, 470 was taken by stratagem and treachery.

The narrative of the self-mutilation of Sextus, and of the advice conveyed by the act of cutting off the poppy heads, seem to be adaptations to Roman history of the story of Zopyrus (83 B), and the answer of Thrasybulus to Periander; both recorded by Herodotus. Mission of Titus and Aruns to Delphi, accompanied by their cousin, L. Junius Brutus (whose life had been saved by his feigning madness).

3. During the siege of *Ardea*, the wealthy capital of 471 the Rutuli, a dispute arose between the sons of the king <sup>B</sup> and their cousin, L. Tarquinius of Collatia, respecting the virtue of their respective wives. Lucretia is dishonoured by Sextus, and dies by her own hand. Brutus, as Tribunes Celerum, assembles the people, who banish the Tarquins, abolish the sovereignty, and lodge the supreme power in the hands of two prætors (afterwards named consuls), who hold their office for a year. The two first are L. Junius Brutus and L. Tarquinius Collatinus. The constitution of Servius is restored, and remains unchanged in all essential particulars.

The flight of the king (regifugium or fugalìa) was commemorated <sup>C</sup> yearly on the 24th of February. An armistice for fifteen years seems to have been concluded with Ardea; but in the commercial treaty between Rome and Carthage (in 509), Ardea is mentioned as a city subject to Rome. There are several inconsistencies in the chronology of this period. Tanaquil must have lived to the age of 115 years, and Brutus is called a child (at the beginning of Tarquin's reign), and twenty-five years later is mentioned as the father of grown-up sons.

## SECOND PERIOD.

### Rome as a free State.

(B.C. 509—30.)

#### a. Aristocracy.

(509—366.)

### § 103. *The Consuls.*

The consuls (a term probably equivalent to *collega*), 472 who were named prætores until the time of the decem-

(472) virate, were at first exclusively patricians, but from the  
 A year 365 plebeians were also eligible to the office. By the *lex annalis* (180), none could be consuls who had not attained their forty-third year, and already discharged the offices of *quæstor*, *ædile*, and *prætor*.

The election by the centuries was always succeeded by the confirmation (or approbation of the gods, declared by an *augurium*) and by investiture, on the part of the *curiæ*. The day of their entering on office was different at different periods. From the year 154 it was on the first of January.

473 At first the consuls possessed an authority almost equi-  
 B valent to that of the kings (the priestly duties alone being committed to a separate functionary termed *rex sacrorum*), but this power was gradually circumscribed, at first by the *provocatio*, afterwards by the *intercessio* of the tribunes of the people, and the separation of the censorship and *prætorship* from the consulship. Under extraordinary circumstances of danger, the consuls were invested by the senate with unlimited powers. They might be impeached at the expiration of their year of office. Under the emperors, the consulship continued nominally to exist until the reign of Justinian (A.D. 541). The year was named after them.

### § 104. *Consequences of the expulsion of the Tarquins.*

474 Tarquin retired to Cære, and thence to Tarquinii. A  
 C conspiracy against the new constitution organized by his emissaries at Rome was betrayed; the sons of Brutus slain, by command of their own father, for participation in the plot, and the whole gens Tarquinia banished, including even Tarquinius Collatinus, whose place as consul was filled by P. Valerius (as consul *suffectus*). The royal demesnes were consecrated to the god Mars, and named the *Campus Martius*. The number of senators, which had been diminished by proscriptions and murders in the reign of Tarquin, was again raised to 300 by the admission of plebeian knights (*conscripti*).

475 War with Veii (and Tarquinii? 500). The leaders of the  
 D cavalry on both sides, Aruns, the son of Tarquin, and Brutus, having fallen each by the other's hand, the combat remained undecided, until the voice of the forest *dæmon* proclaimed at midnight that victory belonged to the Romans, because the Etruscans had lost one man more than their enemies! The Roman matrons mourn a whole year for Brutus.

P. Valerius (Publicola) obtains for the plebeians, by the *lex de provocazione*, the right of appealing (within the distance of one mile from the city) from the sentence of a consul to the assembly of the people; that is, to the *comitia centuriata*. First commercial treaty with Carthage, by which the Romans were prohibited from navigating the seas southward of the *Hermæan promontory* (509). Dedication of the Capitoline temple by the consul *suffectus*, M. Horatius, the first who drove the *clavus* as a mark for reckoning time (508 ?).

The war with Porsenna of Clusium (508? insti- 476 gated, it is said, by the Tarquins) was rich, if we may believe the legend, in heroic deeds, such as the defence of the bridge over the Tiber by Horatius Cocles, the unsuccessful attempt of Mutius Scævola to assassinate Porsenna, the escape of Clœlia, &c.; but there seems to be much embellishment and improbability in the narrative, in the account especially of one fact—the unresisted occupation of the Janiculum by the Etruscan army, and the consequent famine. After carrying on this war for some time, B the Romans were compelled to conclude an ignominious peace. The city was given up to the enemy, its inhabitants disarmed, a third of their territory taken from them (the number of the tribes reduced to twenty), and the remainder probably held by the Romans as tributaries; the royal insignia were sent to Clusium in token of subjection, and twenty hostages (among whom was Clodia) were placed at the disposal of the conqueror.

Under the name of a dictatorship (an office of Latin 477 origin), the royal authority was revived (without *provocatio*) for a period not exceeding six months, in times of extraordinary embarrassment and danger. The first dictator was appointed in 501, when Rome was threatened with a Latin war. By the establishment of such an office, the government hoped to obtain that unity and promptitude of action which can only be secured by the delegation of absolute power to an individual.

The dictator, taken at first exclusively from the patricians and *consulares*, but at a later period (355) from the plebeians also, was elected in the same manner as the kings.

War with the Latins, who had thrown off their 478 allegiance to Rome during the Etruscan war, and were in arms, probably at the instigation of the Tarquins. The Romans claim the victory in a battle on the banks of the lake Regillus (496?), the account of which has a very

- (478) poetical character; but a few years later they concede to  
 A the Latins, and subsequently to the Hernicans, the right of  
 'sharing the command of the allied army, and an equal  
 portion of the booty and conquered territories.

King Tarquin, now in his ninetieth year, is wounded in a single combat with the Roman dictator Postumius, who is perhaps mentioned as commander in this battle merely on account of his family name Regillensis. The Dioscūri are also reported to have appeared during the engagement.

§ 105. *Secession of the Plebs, 494.*

- 479 Their condition before the Secession.

B After the expulsion of the kings, the plebeians had been favoured by the restoration of the constitution granted by Servius Tullius, the Valerian laws, &c.; but no sooner was the Etruscan war terminated, and all fear of disturbance from the Tarquins at an end, than the patrician party began to press heavily on them. The dictatorship was created with the view of curtailing their privileges, and all participation in the lands, won by their own swords, refused to those who were the sole payers of the tribūtum,  
 C and composed the flower of the army. In addition to these wrongs, the plebeians, who had been ruined by repeated predatory wars, and were deeply indebted to patrician usurers, were subjected to a severe law of debtor and creditor. Any one who had given personal security for the repayment of money borrowed was termed *nexus*. If he failed to redeem his pledge within a given time, he was assigned (*addictus*) to his creditor as a serf, and lost his civil rights (*capite deminutus*).

- 480 The Secession.

D The people, roused by the sight of an old soldier who had been imprisoned for debt and escaped from his dungeon, demanded the abolition of arrest, and refused to serve in the army (495 and 494), but were persuaded to take the field by the arguments of the consul, P. Servilius, and the dictator, M. Valerius, and returned victorious (over the Sabines, Volscians, and Æquians). Finding, however, the promises of their commanders unfulfilled by the senate, the plebeians crossed the Anio, and occupied the mons sacer in the territory of Crustumium. After a few days (not four months, as asserted by Dionysius), the patricians, through the intervention of Menenius Agrippa (his alle-

gory of the belly and the members), concluded a formal (480) peace with the plebeians; the engagements of those who <sup>A</sup> were unable to pay being declared void, whilst the right of arrest remained as before. At the same time, the plebeians were placed under the protection of magistrates of their own (the five, afterwards ten, Tribunes), who were chosen by the centuries out of the five classes, subject to the confirmation of the curies (curiæ); until the passing of a law, proposed by Volero Publilius (471), by which it was enacted that they should be chosen by the tribes, without any such confirmation. The persons of these tribunes were sacred and inviolable (sacrosancti). *Object and* <sup>B</sup> *powers.*—Protection of the people against the patrician authorities (within the distance of one mile from the city), in order to secure the right of appeal; together with the power of calling the magistrates to account before the tribes at the expiration of their year of office. In the college of Tribunes all questions were decided by a majority of votes; but at a later period (about 400) the veto of an individual was sufficient to neutralize a proposal or resolution (intercedere). They summoned the people (without consult- <sup>C</sup> ing the auspices) to the comitia tributa, in the forum, where resolutions (plebiscita) were adopted, affecting at first only the interests of the plebs, but, after the passing of the law of Volero Publilius, comprehending all questions of state policy. At a still later period (by the lex Valeria, see 490, 4) these plebiscita were declared equally authoritative with the decrees of the comitia centuriata.

The ædiles plebeii (an office which perhaps existed <sup>481</sup> at an earlier period), were charged with the superintendence of religious festivals, and the guardianship of the plebeian archives. They seem also to have been entrusted with the administration of the communal exchequer, and the execution of all police regulations affecting the plebs.

The attempt to obtain for the plebs a share of the ager publicus <sup>482</sup> completely miscarried. The consul, Sp. Cassius, by whom the law <sup>D</sup> was proposed, was impeached at the close of his year of office, by the populus (not the plebs, whose benefactor he had been, but the curiæ), and being pronounced guilty of aiming at absolute power, was beheaded, and his house levelled with the ground. His law, although in all probability adopted, was never carried into execution; and when, at a later period, one T. Genucius, a tribune, ventured to charge all the consuls who had been elected since the time of Cassius with having neglected its provisions, he was silenced by the dagger of an assassin.

483 § 106. *Wars to the period of the Decemvirate.*<sup>A</sup> 1. The war with the Volsci.

The war with the Volscians continued after the conclusion of peace with the plebs. In the year 493 (?) Cn. Marcius is said to have taken Coriöli, and thence obtained the surname of Coriolanus, but as Corioli was one of the thirty Latin cities, it could not have been attacked by the Romans. Having been condemned by the comitia tributa for proposing, during a season of scarcity, that corn (imported from Sicily ?) should be distributed among the people on condition of their renouncing the tribunate, Marcius at once went over to the Volscians, with all his adherents; and taking the command of their forces, captured several

<sup>B</sup> Latin cities; among the rest Corioli. Advancing to Rome, he summoned the city to surrender unconditionally, demanding, at the same time, the restoration of all the districts which had been forcibly taken from the Volscians, and the recall of the Roman settlers; but being overcome, it is said, by the entreaties of his mother and wife, he raised the siege and returned into the country of the Volscians, where he lived in peace to extreme old age<sup>1</sup>.

## 484 2. War of the Fabii against Veii (482—474).

With the view of recovering the territory which had been wrested from them by the Etruscans, as well as of finding employment for the plebeians, the patricians, chiefly at the instance of the gens Fabia, renewed the war with Veii, which was terminated by a peace for forty years.

485 The plebeians having refused to serve in the army, 306 Fabii, with their families and clients, established themselves in a fortress on the river Cremëra, where they were all (with the exception of one boy),

<sup>C</sup> cut to pieces by the Veientes; having being allured, according to the commonly received story, to a distance from their stronghold by the prospect of booty, or, as another legend relates, having set out unarmed for Rome, with the intention of offering sacrifice. Like Porsena in days of yore, the Veientes appeared on the Janiculum, but after a few skirmishes, they were driven back, and having sustained another defeat close to the gate of their own city, were glad to accept conditions of peace.

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<sup>1</sup> There is nothing surprising in this, after the benefits conferred on the Volscian state by Coriolanus; nor was it until a much later period, that Roman vanity invented the myth of the surrender of all his conquests at the instance of his mother and wife. To make the story consistent, it was necessary to add, that Coriolanus was murdered by the enraged Volscians.

Wars with the Æqui and Volsci, to 458. 486

Both these Ausonian tribes had extended their authority <sup>A</sup> over Latium as far as the sea, and taken possession of Antium, which was wrested from them by the Romans (who colonized it in 468); and again restored at the Volscian peace in 459. The war with the Æquians still continued. A Roman army was beaten on the Algidus and surrounded by the enemy, but was rescued by the dictator, L. Quinctius Cincinnatus (458).

The narrative of his campaign on the Algidus is full of improbabilities.

§ 107. *Struggle of the Plebeians with the Patricians for equality of Civil Rights.*

1. The rogation of the tribune C. Terentilius 487  
Harsa (462). <sup>B</sup>

The want of any written code of laws for the plebeians, and the caprice with which patrician consuls decided all disputes between patricians and plebeians, not by any fixed rules, but according to precedents, which might be interpreted to signify whatever the judge desired, induced the tribune C. Terentilius Harsa, to propose the formation of a code by five or ten persons chosen from the classes. All the obligations of plebeians towards the state were to be accurately defined, and a rule to be established by which their disputes should thenceforth be decided. On the other <sup>C</sup> hand, the patricians, who were well aware of the advantages afforded to their order by the uncertain state of the law, endeavoured by every means in their power, even by forcibly obstructing the proceedings of the comitia tributa, to render this "rogatio" ineffective. After a succession of fierce and bloody struggles, certain advantages were conceded to the plebeians, such as the doubling the number of tribunes and placing the Aventine in the hands of the commons; and in the end a general measure of legislation, embracing the interests of both classes, obtained the assent of the curiæ.

The mission of three senators to Athens, for the purpose of making <sup>D</sup> themselves acquainted with the laws of Solon, and those of the other Grecian states, may perhaps be a historical fact, without necessarily leading us to the inference that the Roman code was derived immediately from that of Athens.

## 488 2. The first decemvirate, 451.

- A After a long delay on the part of the patricians, and the modification by the plebeians of their original proposition into the appointment of a mixed commission, selected equally from both orders, the functions of all magistrates were suspended, and ten senators appointed, as *interreges*, with irresponsible authority, and instructions to frame a code of written laws. In accordance with these instructions, the commissioners produced a series of legal provisions, divided into ten sections, which were engraved on ten tables of brass, and hung up in a conspicuous place, after they had received the assent of the senate, the centuries (consequently of the plebs), and of the curies. Of these laws, which formed the groundwork of Roman legislation down to the time of the emperors, nothing now remains but a few insignificant fragments. One of the most important changes consequent on the formation of this code was the admission of patricians into the plebeian tribes, which thus became a national division, and the *comitia tributa* a national assembly.

- 489 3. The second decemvirate (450) added two new tables of laws; but instead of laying down their authority, or making arrangements at the end of their year for the election of consuls or other magistrates, the decemviri continued to exercise a despotic power, which gave great offence to the people (murder of the veteran L. Siccius Dentatus, who had counselled an insurrection of the commons). At length the discontent, which had long been smouldering, was blown into a flame, by an act of wanton cruelty on the part of one of the decemviri. In the midst of a war with the Sabines and Æquians, a young maiden named Virginia (the daughter of L. Virginus, an officer in the army), who had been assigned, during her father's absence, to one of his clients as a slave by Appius Claudius, the chief of the decemviri, was stabbed to the heart by her own father, as the only mode of saving her from dishonour.
- D On receiving intelligence of this event, all the plebeians in the army returned to Rome and encamped on the Aventine. The abolition of the decemvirate being obstinately refused by the patricians, the plebeians again retired to the *mons sacer*, whither they were followed by L. Valerius and M. Horatius, by whose intervention peace was restored on the following terms:—the decemviri were required to lay



down their office, the tribunate was re-established, and (489) Valerius and Horatius were elected prætors, or, as they <sup>A</sup> were thenceforth called, consuls. The decemviri were impeached by Virginius before the plebs, two of their number (Appius Claudius and the plebeian Sp. Oppius), died in prison, probably by their own act, and the rest escaped punishment by voluntary exile. Their property was confiscated to the use of the state.

4. The laws of the consuls Valerius and Hora- 490  
tius (448).

The first endeavour of the newly-elected consuls was to establish on a firm basis the freedom thus restored to the people. With this view the following laws were enacted—

1. The plebiscita were declared to be of equal authority <sup>B</sup> with the resolutions of the centuries, and had the force of law, when they emanated from, or were sanctioned by, the senate, and confirmed by the curies. 2. The right of provocation against the consuls, and all future magistrates, was secured. 3. The inviolability of the tribunes and ædiles plebei was re-established and extended to the judges.

We find also, about the same time, a seat reserved for the tribunes in front of the open doors of the senate-house, that they might hear the debates.

An essential change in the constitution was effected by

5. The rogations of the tribune C. Canuleius 491  
and his colleagues; 444. <sup>C</sup>

The "rogatio" of the tribune C. Canuleius for the legalization of marriages (connubium), between patricians and plebeians, was adopted after a severe struggle; but when his colleagues proposed that one consul should be chosen from each of the orders, it was settled, that instead of thus dividing the office between the patricians and plebeians, the supreme authority should be vested in tribūni militum consulari potestate, an office to which plebeians were declared admissible; the functions of the censorship being at the same time separated from those of the consular tribunate, and reserved for patricians. The number of these military tribunes varied at different <sup>D</sup> periods (three, four, six, eight). Among the six was always a prætor urbanus (patrician); and among the eight, were two censors. Every year a law was passed,

declaring whether consuls or military tribunes should be elected for the succeeding year.

- 492 At first the two Censors were taken exclusively from  
 A the patricians (generally from *consulares*), but after the passing of the law of Publilius Philo (338), they were chosen, one from each order. At the first institution of the office, they were elected in each *lustrum* (for five years; afterwards for eighteen months, and at a still later period for thirty-two), originally by the *curies* and afterwards by the centuries. Their functions were twofold: 1. Registration of the citizens according to their rank (senators, knights, burgesses), coupled with the right of admitting individuals into, or removing them from, the senate, the  
 B knightly order, and the tribes. The right of expulsion was exercised, either in accordance with the sentence of a tribunal, or (in the case of offences not strictly cognizable by the courts) on the individual responsibility of the censor (*notatio censoria*). 2. Administration of the exchequer. It was a part of their office to farm out the duties and similar sources of revenue, contract for public works, and apportion the payment of the *tributum* according to the census.

- 493 During a famine, in the year 439, a distribution of corn having been made to the people, by Sp. Mælius, the richest of the plebeian knights, a cry was immediately raised that secret meetings were held in his house, and arms deposited there, which it was his intention to use for the purpose of raising himself to absolute power.  
 C L. Cincinnatus was nominated dictator, and the unarmed, and probably innocent, Mælius, was slain in the forum, by his master of the horse. The assassin escaped impeachment by voluntary exile.

The number of *questores classici* was increased from two to four, chosen without distinction from all ranks (420), and thenceforth the senate was recruited from the list of persons who had filled the office of *questor*.

- 494 Hitherto all questions had been decided in the college of tribunes of the people by a majority of votes, but about this time (between 415 and 394), it was enacted that the "veto" of any one tribune should be sufficient to arrest a proposed decree; an arrangement which proved, in the end, advantageous to the patricians.  
 D The practice was introduced of giving *regular* pay (*stipendium*) to the infantry (probably then for the first time to each legionary), for which purpose a tenth part of the *ager publicus* was set aside (305).

§ 108. *The last War against Veii.*

(404—395.)

After the termination of the Sabine wars by the decisive victory 495 of M. Horatius, repeated wars were carried on by the Romans (for the most part successfully) against the Æquians and Volscians. <sup>A</sup> Fidēnæ, which had expelled some Roman colonists, was taken, and afterwards, in consequence of the assassination of the Roman ambassadors, was levelled to the ground. Then followed the last war against Veii, which had formed an alliance with Fidenæ.

The Romans having in vain demanded satisfaction for 496 the murder of their ambassadors, which had been perpetrated at the instigation of the king of Veii, declare war against that state. After a blockade of ten years, effected <sup>B</sup> by means of a line of works drawn at some distance round the city, Veii is taken by the dictator M. Furius Camillus. The account of this capture belongs rather to poetry than history.

The Alban lake having, in the driest season of the year, overflowed 497 its banks, it was declared by a captive Etruscan aruspex (in accordance with the oracle of Delphi), that until the waters of the lake were confined to their proper limits Veii could not be taken. In consequence of this intimation, the drawing off of the waters was undertaken by means of a tunnel, six feet deep, three and a half broad and 6000 in length. Then the city was taken, it is said, by means of a mine carried as far as the temple of Juno. It would seem, however, <sup>C</sup> that neither this gallery, nor the tunnel was completed during the dictatorship of Camillus; still less could the temple have been reached with any certainty; if such a gallery, therefore, were formed at all, it was probably for the purpose of opening a breach in the wall. Similarity of this war to that of Troy.

A body of the plebeians having determined to quit 498 Rome, and settle in the beautifully situated and well-built city of Veii, a portion of the Veientine territory was assigned to them in lots of seven jugera each. Camillus, after his triumph, was accused of appropriating to his own use a portion of the booty, and being condemned to pay a "multa," went into exile.

§ 109. *War with the Gauls, 389.*

During the last war against Veii, the Gauls, a Celtic 499 tribe, had crossed the Alps and entered Italy, where a <sup>D</sup> portion of them remained, whilst the rest continued their march towards Pannonia. Having overthrown the Etruscans and Umbrians, the Italian division, under the com-

- (499) mand of Brennus, appeared before Clusium (whither, according to the legend, they had been invited by a burgher of the city, who had failed to obtain redress for the violation of his wife). The Clusinians applied to the Romans for help, and three ambassadors (Fabii) were sent to treat with the Gauls—but these men took part in the battle, and slew one of the Gallic leaders. The Romans having refused to deliver up their ambassadors, an army of 70,000 Gauls advanced towards Rome, and on their march encountered on the banks of the Aleia a Roman army 40,000 strong, commanded by Q. Sulpicius, which they utterly routed, the Romans flying in confusion, some to Rome and others to Veii. This battle was fought on the 16th July, 389. On the 18th of the same month Rome was taken, sacked, and laid in ashes—eighty aged patricians were slain in the forum. An attempt to scale the capitol (which was defended by Manlius<sup>1</sup> with 1000 armed followers), was discovered by the cry of some geese, consecrated to Juno. On receiving intelligence that the Venetans had invaded their country, the Gauls consented to withdraw their forces from Rome, on condition of receiving 1000 pounds' weight of gold. The legend however declares, that at this critical moment, Camillus, the Dictator, appeared at the head of the Roman soldiers who had taken refuge at Veii, prevented the payment of the gold, twice overthrew the Gauls, took Brennus prisoner, and put him to death.
- c A second plan of the plebeians for withdrawing to Veii was happily rendered abortive by Camillus (thence surnamed the second founder of the city), and the place dismantled; but within a year it was restored and peopled by Capenatians, Faliscans, and Veientines, who formed four new tribes (22nd—25th).

500 M. Manlius. Many persons having been reduced to insolvency by the expenses incurred in the restoration of their houses and replacement of the cattle and furniture which they had lost in these wars, M. Manlius, the preserver of the capitol, advanced money without interest to 400 ruined citizens, demanding at the same time that all debts should be liquidated, either by the sale of the public

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<sup>1</sup> Manlius was surnamed Capitolinus, not because he had saved the capitol, but because he dwelt there.

lands, or out of the Gallic gold, which the patricians had unfairly (500) appropriated to their own use. Manlius was immediately thrown into prison by the indignant patricians; but was soon afterwards<sup>A</sup> liberated in consequence of an insurrection of the plebs, and acquitted by the centuries. As however he still occupied the capitol, sentence was passed against him by the curiæ in the fourth dictatorship of Camillus, and he was treacherously thrown from the Tarpeian rock in the year B.C. 308. At the same time a law was passed that thenceforth no person should inhabit the capitol.

§ 110. *Termination of the struggle between the Patricians and Plebeians by the Licinian Rogations.*

(376—366.)

An attempt to relieve the continued embarrassment of 501 the plebeians was made by the tribunes C. Licinius<sup>B</sup> Stolo, and L. Sextius, who proposed the three following laws: 1. That the office of military tribune should be abolished, and two consuls be nominated, one of whom should always be a plebeian. 2. Every Roman citizen (consequently every plebeian) should enjoy a share of the ager publicus, but none should hold more than 500 jugera, with a correspondent number of heads of cattle in the common pasture. The rent paid for the use of this pasture to be farmed out from lustrum to lustrum by the censors, and the proceeds employed for the payment of the soldiers. Land occupied by individuals to be given<sup>C</sup> up, and divided among the plebeians in lots of seven<sup>D</sup> jugera each. 3. Debts to be liquidated by three yearly instalments, after deducting the amount of interest already paid. The reading of these rogations was stopped by eight of the tribunes, who had<sup>E</sup> been gained over by the senators; but for ten years the same two men were regularly re-elected to the tribunate, and at last, in the year 366, their rogations were adopted, subject to this condition, that the prætura urbana (an office established chiefly for the administration of justice within the city, and hitherto held by a patrician military tribune,) should be separated from the consulate, and, as well as the censorship, be reserved for patricians. On the other hand,<sup>F</sup> it was settled that the curule ædileship (an office created at this time in the room of the quæstores parricidii), should be held alternately by patricians and plebeians.

L. Sextius was nominated the first plebeian consul in 365.

- 502 The Prætorship. The prætor urbanus was in some sort a third consul, elected in the same manner as the consuls, styled their colleague, exercising during their absence the functions of their office, and enjoying probably the distinction of the six fasces. At first the office was open only to patricians, but subsequently (probably after the law of Q. Publilius Philo in 336), it was held by a patrician and plebeian alternately. His principal duty was the administration of justice, both in criminal proceedings, inasmuch as he presided over the assemblies of the people, before which offenders against the state were tried, and in civil more especially, it being his business to publish the decisions of judges nominated by himself, and see that they were carried into effect. His authority was indicated by three words—*dare* (judicem), *dicere* (sententiam), *addicere* (rem). When he entered on his office, the prætor published an edictum (or formula), which served as a guide for his decisions in cases to which the law did not extend. He sat on the Nundinæ (dies fasti). The settlement of disputes between citizens and foreigners continued for a long time to be one of the duties of the consulate; but the increase of litigation consequent on the extension of the Roman territories, and the frequent absence of the consuls, at length rendered it necessary to appoint a special officer (in 242), named prætor inter peregrinos et cives. The number of prætors was increased, for the administration of the provinces, to four and afterwards to six; but after the introduction of the quæstiones perpetuæ (144), these functionaries remained at Rome until the expiration of their year of office, when they entered on the government of their province with the title of proprætor. Sulla increased the number to eight, and Cæsar to sixteen.
- 503 The Curule Ædiles (ædiles curules). Number, two; alternately two patricians and two plebeians. They presided at the ludi Romani, of which at a later period (after the first Punic war), they generally bore the expense; and were charged with the inspection of public and private buildings, streets, markets, and provisions, as well as the investigation and prosecution of certain offences.

It was only after the expiration of twenty-five years (503) that the plebeians were peaceably established in the possession of their newly-acquired rights. The election of consuls was often interrupted by the nomination of a dictator—and within a space of thirteen years (354—342), we find seven illegal consulates.

### b. Democracy.

(B.C. 366—30.)

#### aa. To the Subjugation of Italy in 266.

##### § 111. *Their Wars—to the Samnite Wars.*

(361—346.)

Four wars with the Gauls (361—346), a succe- 504  
sion probably of fresh swarms. The first was decided by <sup>B</sup> the single combat of T. Manlius (Torquatus) with a Gallic giant, the second and third by victories obtained by the Roman armies, and the fourth by the single combat of M. Valerius (Corvus) with a Gallic warrior, and the victory of L. Furius Camillus (son of M. Camillus).

The Hernicans were also subjugated after repeated defeats; but a 505  
war with the Tarquinians and Faliscans (in which C. Marcius <sup>C</sup> Rutilus, the first plebeian dictator, stormed the Etruscan camp, and triumphed without the consent of the senate), terminated ingloriously in an armistice for forty years.

##### § 112. *First War with the Samnites.*

(342—340.)

The Samnites, a nation whose dominions, extending 506  
from the Hadriatic to the Tyrrhenian sea, contained a <sup>D</sup> population exceeding in number the Romans with their allies, having attacked the Sidicini (whose capital was Teānum), that people called in the Campanians; and they, after sustaining two defeats, applied for assistance to the Romans. The consul, M. Valerius Corvus, marched into Campania, and obtained a victory at Mount Gaurus, near Cumæ (342), whilst the other consul (A. Cornelius Cossus), who had penetrated into Samnium, was surrounded near Caudium, but afterwards rescued by the military tribune P. Decius, in conjunction with whom he

(506) stormed the Samnite encampment. A rich booty (40,000 shields) fell into the hands of the Romans after a second great victory gained by Valerius (perhaps with both the Roman armies) at Suessula. In the year 341, fresh advantages were perhaps obtained, but by the Latins ['for Rome was paralyzed by the insurrection of the army.' Niebuhr]. A separate peace and separate alliance was concluded between Rome (without Latium) and the Samnites, one of the conditions being, that the subjugation of the Sidicini should be permitted by the Romans.

§ 113. *War with the Latins, 339—337.*

507 The alliance between Rome and Latium, which had  
 B been dissolved after the capture of the city by the Gauls, was renewed in 357, when the Romans were threatened with fresh danger from the same quarter; but the Latin confederation refused to recognize the supremacy of the Romans; insisting that Rome and Latium should be united into one nation, and that the senate and consulate should be shared between them. The Romans having rejected this demand, a Latin war broke out, which ended in the  
 C complete subjugation of the Latins. Two consular armies marched through Samnium into Campania (where the legions of the Latins were still stationed near Capua), and, under the command of T. Manlius, obtained, with the assistance of the Samnites, a victory near Mount Vesuvius, for which they were chiefly indebted to the self-sacrifice of P. Decius Mus. Manlius inflicted capital punishment on his son, who, in defiance of his father's prohibition, had slain a Latin general in single combat. A second victory gained by T. Manlius at Trifanum broke up the Latin confederacy, the cities surrendering one by one, and receiving Roman garrisons.

508 Of these cities some were admitted to the full rights of Roman  
 D citizenship, and from one of them two new tribes were formed; whilst the inhabitants of others were regarded as mere vassals, without the right of voting; and some Latin as well as Campanian places were considered allies of Rome, as the whole of Latium had formerly been. Antium lost its ships of war (the rostra were carried to Rome), and became a Roman colony; the Latins were forbidden to hold diets, and connubium and commercium were permitted only between inhabitants of the same city.



§ 114. *Second War with the Samnites.*

(325—304.)

**Causes.**—The Romans having established a colony in the Volscian city of Fregellæ, which had been taken and sacked by the Samnites, its withdrawal was required by the original conquerors, and refused. About the same time, the Romans demanded satisfaction from Palæopölis and Neapölis for certain acts of plunder committed in Campania; and this being refused by both cities (by advice of the Tarentines and Samnites), they were invested by Q. Publilius Philo, whose term of consular authority was extended. As proconsul (the first who ever bore that title) Philo obtained possession of Palæopölis by treachery.

In order to divide the forces of the Samnites, the Romans concluded an alliance with the Apulians, and sent an army into their country. At the very commencement of this war the Samnites were four times defeated with considerable loss (by Q. Fabius Maximus and L. Papirius Cursor), and sued for peace; but being unable to obtain any reasonable terms from the Romans, they continued the war, and laid siege to Luceria (which had been stormed by Fabius, and was now occupied by a Roman garrison). A Roman force, sent to the relief of the place (under the consuls, T. Veterius and Sp. Postumius), was intercepted and beaten by the Samnite general C. Pontius, in the narrow passes near Caudium (furculæ Caudinæ). The survivors, unable to extricate themselves from the defile, capitulated on terms, which, considering their helpless position, were not unreasonable, and, having passed under the yoke, withdrew to Capua (321). The Roman senate having refused to ratify this capitulation, the war still continued, at first with various success, but latterly with decided advantage to the Romans.

After the battle of Caudium, Luceria was taken by the Samnites, and subsequently (probably in 315) recaptured by the Romans, and colonized. The war was carried on with various success (victory of the Romans near Saticula, defeat of their army under Q. Fabius Maximus at Lautülæ) until the year 314, from which period the advantage was decidedly on the side of the Romans.

*Contemporaneous War against the Etruscans, Samnites, Umbrians, and Hernicans.*—The Etruscans, who had maintained friendly relations with Rome as long as the Gauls were in their neighbourhood, endeavoured, now that the

- (511) Romans were occupied with the Samnite war, to re-establish  
 A their ancient boundaries. In pursuance of this plan, they laid siege to the frontier fortress of Sutrium, where they were defeated by Q. Fabius Maximus, who then forced his way through the Ciminian forest, and again defeated the enemy near Perugia (309). For this victory Fabius was not only rewarded with a triumph, but was also, as an especial honour, re-elected consul for the following year. Meanwhile, L. Papirius Cursor (whom Q. Fabius, suppressing his personal dislike, had proclaimed dictator) obtained a victory over the Samnites, near Longula. Fabius then took the command in Samnium (except for a short period, during which he marched against the Umbrians, who were speedily subdued), and overcame (as proconsul)  
 B the Samnites and Hernicans near Allifæ (307). Fresh victories were gained by the consuls of the ensuing year—one over the Hernici, and two over the Samnites. It required, however, two more defeats (at Bovianum and Tifernum, 305) to convince the Samnites that their only chance of safety consisted in their recognizing the supremacy of Rome. A peace was concluded in 304; the Samnites being permitted to retain their own dominions, but losing their sovereignty over Lucania.

- 512 The armistice was renewed with the Etruscans (from 309) every  
 C year. The revolted cities of the Hernicans became municipia [cf. 523, A], without the right of voting, and were deprived of *connubium* and *commercium* with the rest of the Hernicans; and the Volscians and Æquians, who had afforded assistance to the Samnites, were compelled to accept the privilege of Roman citizenship, subject to the same degrading conditions.

### § 115. *Third War with the Samnites.*

(298—290.)

- 513 The Lucanians having applied for aid against the Sam-  
 D nites, who had invaded their country for the purpose of re-establishing their ancient supremacy, the Romans demanded the immediate evacuation of Lucania; and this being refused, war broke out afresh. The two first campaigns proved disastrous to the Samnites, who then sent an army into Etruria, and formed an alliance with the Etruscans, Umbrians, and Gauls; but in the year 295 they were totally defeated near Sentinum by Q. Fabius

Maximus (in his fifth consulate), whilst P. Decius Mus (513) (for the fourth time consul) checked the advance of the <sup>A</sup> Gauls by the sacrifice of his life. The war still continued in Samnium: at first the Romans were victorious in three engagements (at Luceria, Aquilonia, and Cominium), but, on the other hand, Q. Fabius Gurgus (son of Fabius Maximus) was defeated by C. Pontius. This loss, however, was repaired by the elder Fabius, who, as his son's lieutenant, was once more victorious (it is not known where). The brave C. Pontius was taken prisoner, conveyed in triumph to Rome, and executed! Colonies were <sup>B</sup> sent to Venusia to check the alliance between Tarentum and Samnium. The war with the Samnites (290) was terminated by M'. Curius Dentatus; but we are not acquainted with the conditions on which peace was concluded<sup>1</sup>.

The Sabines were attacked by M'. Curius Dentatus (probably because they had assisted the Samnites in the Etruscan campaign), and being speedily subdued, were admitted to the privilege of citizenship without the right of voting. The sovereignty of Rome now extended to the shores of the Adriatic sea.

### § 116. *War with Tarentum and with Pyrrhus of Epirus.*

(282—272.)

Soon after the termination of the Samnite wars, the <sup>514</sup> Romans, interfering in the affairs of Lower Italy, compelled the Lucanians and Bruttians to raise the siege of Thurii, and placed a Roman garrison in the town. A fleet of ten triremes being sent at the same time into the bay of Tarentum to protect Thurii by sea (in contravention of a treaty with the Tarentines, by which the Romans were prohibited from passing the promontory of Lacinium), five vessels were taken by the Tarentines, Thurii stormed, and the garrison expelled. An embassy, sent by the Romans to demand satisfaction, having been insulted by the Tarentines, war was immediately proclaimed.

Being disappointed in their expectation of a general <sup>515</sup> rising of the Italian states, the Tarentines applied for assistance to Pyrrhus, king of Epirus, who entered the

<sup>1</sup> The only notice on this subject is found in Livy, Epitome xi. *Cum Samnitibus pacem petentibus foedus quarto renovatum est.*

(515) country (by the invitation of most of the Greek cities in  
 A Lower Italy) with a considerable force, including twenty elephants, to which he was chiefly indebted for a victory on the banks of the Siris, near Heraclēa. Pyrrhus now sent his friend, the orator Cineas, to offer peace to the Romans, provided they were willing to restore to his allies (the Samnites, Lucanians, Apulians, and Bruttians) all the places which they had lost in the war. This proposal having been rejected, by the advice of the blind Appius Claudius, Pyrrhus advanced to Præneste, for the purpose of joining the Etruscans; but finding that they had already concluded a peace with Rome, he retreated to Tarentum, and went into winter quarters.

B The upright C. Fabricius was sent with two other Romans to treat with Pyrrhus for the liberation of his prisoners, who were permitted to visit Rome for the purpose of celebrating the Saturnalia; but being unable to persuade the senate to conclude a peace, they were obliged to return into captivity.

516 The following year, Pyrrhus attacked the places in Apulia, which were garrisoned by Roman soldiers, and compelled the consuls (P. Sulpicius and P. Decius) to retreat, after sustaining considerable loss in a battle fought near Asculum Apulum, 279. In this battle, P. Decius, the grandson, is said to have offered himself as a victim to  
 c the infernal gods. The victory, however, had been dearly purchased; and this circumstance, joined to the intelligence of an alliance between Rome and Carthage, and the invasion of Macedonia by the Gauls, induced Pyrrhus to conclude an armistice with Rome. An invitation, which he soon afterwards received from the Syracusans, to pass over into Sicily, and protect them from the Carthaginians, was willingly accepted, as affording him an opportunity of evacuating Italy without loss of honour (comp. § 40, II).

517 At the expiration of three years he was compelled to  
 d abandon Sicily, taking with him the treasures which he had acquired there, and returned into Italy, for the purpose of protecting the Samnites, Lucanians, and Bruttians, against the attacks of the Romans. In the year 275, his mercenaries having been defeated by M'. Curius Dentatus, near Beneventum, Pyrrhus, leaving a garrison in Tarentum under the command of Milo, set out on his return to Epirus, and soon afterwards was slain at Argos. In the year 272,

Tarentum was treacherously delivered up to the Romans by Milo.

### § 117. *Complete Subjugation of Italy.*

After the termination of the Samnite wars, the Galli 518 Senōnes, in northern Umbria, who had been persuaded <sup>A</sup> by the Etruscans and Umbrians to assist them in prosecuting the war against the Romans, encountered and utterly defeated a Roman army. But this insult was speedily avenged by the consul, P. Dolabella, who laid waste the whole territory of the Senōnes, and overthrew (at the lake Vadimon) the Boii, who were hastening to their assistance (283). Peace was granted to the Boii, but the Senōnes were almost exterminated; the Etruscan cities were subdued one after another; and those which held out the longest, obtained from the Romans (in consequence of the advance of Pyrrhus on Rome) peace on very favorable terms (280).

The Samnites, Lucanians, and Bruttians, having 519 recognized the supremacy of Rome, after the death of <sup>B</sup> Pyrrhus (272), were compelled to cede a portion of their territory and receive Roman colonists.

The Picentians were subdued, after a battle in 268, 520 and a portion of them transplanted into southern Campania, for the purpose of cutting off the Samnites from the Tyrrhenian sea.

The subjugation of the Sallentinians, in Calabria 521 (266), completed the conquest of Italy as far as the rivers Rubicon and Macra.

Connexion of the conquered States with Rome.

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A. As regards their connexion with Rome, the Italian *states* may <sup>C</sup> be divided into three classes.

1. Those nations which had been admitted to the privilege of Roman citizenship, either in an inferior degree without, or to its full extent with, the right of voting. In the latter case, they were incorporated into the Roman *tribus*.

2. Those which nominally retained their independence, as allies of Rome, being either Latins or confederates in other parts of Italy. Both classes retained their own territorial rights, but were bound to furnish contingents of troops, money, ships, corn, &c. The Italian confederates were those nations which, although subdued, had kept or received back from the conqueror their own codes of laws.

3. The subject States, whose position, as regarded their connexion with Rome, varied exceedingly some (revolted allies, for

example) being deprived of their personal freedom and the honour of serving in war, whilst others were personally free, but in other respects subject to many severe restrictions.

523 B. The circumstances of *single cities* were also of a threefold character.

A 1. *Municipia*, i.e. cities, the inhabitants of which enjoyed, to a certain extent, the rights of Roman citizenship (either with or without the suffragium).

2. *Coloniæ*; partly Roman, partly Latin. For the purpose of retaining a conquered people in a state of dependence, the Romans, agreeably to an Italian usage, were accustomed to transplant a certain number of Roman families (at first exclusively patrician, but afterwards plebeian also) into some of the cities, where they formed a standing garrison. To these colonists were assigned the reserved lands, which were generally a third, and sometimes, but very rarely, the whole of the conquered territory. A city colonized in this manner had a double population; viz. the original inhabitants, now vassals of Rome, and occupiers of a portion only of the estates which had formerly been their own; and the new colonists, in whom the entire administration of public affairs was vested. This plan at once secured a provision for the poorer Roman families, and relieved Rome of her discontented citizens. After the union of Rome with the Latin confederacy, colonies were sent out by the two nations conjointly. Hence the distinction between Roman and Latin colonies; the former being those which were established previously, and the latter subsequently, to the Latin alliance. The sending out of a colony was consequent on a *Senatus consultum* [or, as one word, *senatusconsultum*], and at a later period on a *plebiscitum*, and was managed by *curatores*. The colonists were, as far as possible, volunteers; but if the number of these was insufficient, others were chosen by lot.

C 3. *Præfecturæ* were *municipia* to which a præfect, or magistrate charged with the administration of the laws, was sent out every year from Rome, for the purpose of maintaining the supremacy of the Roman code.

### § 118. *Domestic History of Rome during this period.*

524 From the time that the consulate became accessible to plebeians, and the most distinguished men of that class were admitted into the senate, or connected themselves by marriage with patrician families, the offices which had formerly been reserved for patricians gradually fell into plebeian hands, and the importance of the patrician order declined.

525 The first decided step towards a complete equalization of the two orders was taken by the plebeian dictator, Q. Publilius Philo (338), who proposed three laws—  
1. That *plebisçita*, emanating from or approved by the senate, should thenceforth have the force of law, even

without the confirmation of the curies. 2. That the curies (525) should beforehand promise their assent to any law about A to be passed by the centuries. 3. That one of the censors should always be a plebeian, as had once already been the case under extraordinary circumstances in the year 350. As this legislator was the first plebeian prætor (in 336), it seems probable that the alternate appointment of a patrician and plebeian to that office was secured by one of his laws. The dictatorship had already (soon after the passing of the Licinian laws in 355) been held by a plebeian (compare § 111). By the *lex Ogulnia* (300), the plebeians were declared admissible to a number of offices under the pontifices and augures. The *lex Mænia* (286?) ex- B tended the second Publilian law to the *election* of magistrates, and the curies, whose right of confirmation had become a mere form, ceased to assemble for that purpose. Finally, the dictator, Q. Hortensius (after the secession of the plebs to Mount Janiculum, in consequence of the cruelties practised by their creditors), declared the *plebiscita* binding on all classes, even without the assent of the senate (?). Thus the democracy was completely established.

In the year 312 Appius Claudius Cæcus admitted, as censor, the 526 whole body of *libertini* into the plebs, to fill up the number of persons qualified to bear arms, which had been diminished by the war. This arrangement, however, was set aside by his successors (after eight years) in the censorship, L. Fabius and P. Decius, who confined the *libertini* (304) to the city tribes. As the chief agitator on this occasion, Fabius received the surname of Maximus.

The increased amount of the revenue rendered it necessary to appoint *three* censors, whose discharge of this office qualified them for admission into the senate.

## bb. From the Subjugation of Italy to the Gracchi.

(266—133.)

### Foreign Wars.

#### § 119. *The First Punic War.*

(264—241.)

##### 1. Campaign in Sicily.

Causes.—1. In order to secure their Sicilian possessions, 527 the Carthaginians had supported the Tarentines in their

(527) struggles against Rome, and thus violated the treaty which  
 A had been renewed with the Romans in 347. 2. War  
 having been proclaimed by Hiero II., king of Syracuse,  
 against the marauding Mamertines (Sabellian mercenary  
 troops), who had made themselves masters of Messana and  
 the surrounding territory, those freebooters separated into  
 two parties, one of which admitted a Carthaginian garrison  
 into the citadel of Messana, whilst the other applied for  
 assistance to the Romans. Although these disputes had  
 been settled previously to the arrival of the Romans, by  
 a compromise between Hiero and the Mamertines, they  
 landed nevertheless, and were admitted into Messana,  
 where they were blockaded by the Carthaginians and  
 B Syracusans. The place was, however, soon relieved by  
 Appius Claudius Caudex, who overcame both the blockad-  
 ing armies, and proceeded to lay siege to Syracuse. Most  
 of the cities (sixty-seven) in the interior of Sicily having,  
 in the following year (263), submitted to the Romans,  
 Hiero concluded a peace with the invaders, who were  
 enabled, with this reinforcement, to blockade the Cartha-  
 ginians (under Hannibal, the son of Gisgon), for seven  
 months in Agrigentum. An army which had marched,  
 under the command of Hanno, to the relief of the place,  
 having been utterly routed, Agrigentum was stormed and  
 sacked, and 25,000 of its inhabitants sold into slavery  
 (262).

528 2. Sicily the theatre of war by sea and land  
 c (260—257).

In order to obtain possession of the maritime towns,  
 which were still in the hands of the Carthaginians, the  
 Romans now determined to create a naval force; and  
 taking a stranded Carthaginian galley for their model, built  
 and equipped within sixty days a fleet of 130 ships, the  
 command of which was given to C. Duilius, who gained  
 the first naval victory off Mylæ, in the year 260. For  
 this success, which was obtained by boarding the enemy  
 (on bridges invented by the commander), and thus giving  
 to a naval engagement the character of a battle on land,  
 Duilius was honoured with a *columna rostrata*. The Ro-  
 mans now ventured to attack the Carthaginian settlements  
 in Sardinia and Corsica, and to establish themselves in  
 those islands, whilst their land forces subdued one city



after another in Sicily. An attempt was even made, by (528) M. Atilius Regulus, to transfer the war to Africa itself, <sup>A</sup> and thus bring the struggle to a speedy issue. Steering for that coast with a fleet of 330 sail, Regulus fell in with a Carthaginian fleet of 350, off Cape Ecnömus, on the southern coast of Sicily, and having dispersed them, landed, without opposition, near Clupea, in Africa.

### 3. Campaign in Africa (256—254).

Regulus sent back the greater part of his fleet and army, <sup>529</sup> and, with the remainder, subdued almost the whole of the Carthaginian territory, and made preparations for laying siege to the capital. In their distress, the Carthaginians <sup>B</sup> sued for peace, but, being dissatisfied with the unreasonable conditions required by the Romans, they placed their army under the command of the Spartan general Xanthippus, who had recently landed with a body of Greek mercenaries. The Roman soldiers, although superior in numbers, were unable to withstand the assaults of 100 elephants, and fled in confusion, leaving their commander, Regulus, a prisoner in the hands of the Carthaginians. A fresh fleet, despatched to Africa by the Romans in the same year, annihilated the naval force of the Carthaginians off the Hermæan promontory, and effected a landing near Clupea. Again the Romans were victorious by land, <sup>C</sup> but want of provisions soon compelled them to re-embark on board their ships, most of which were lost in a terrible storm off the coast of Sicily.

### 4. Sicily a second time the theatre of war by <sup>530</sup> sea and land (254—242).

Another Roman fleet captured Panormus and several other Carthaginian settlements on the coast of Sicily, and plundered the rich coast of Africa, bordering on the lesser Syrtes; but on the homeward voyage it was overtaken by a storm (off the promontory of Palinurus), and nearly annihilated. On receiving intelligence of this new calamity, the Roman senate determined to renounce naval warfare. Meanwhile the war was prosecuted vigorously by land. In the year 250, L. Cæcilius Metellus gained a splendid victory near Panormus, and carried off 104 elephants to adorn his triumph. In consequence of this disaster, the Carthaginians were obliged to abandon the whole of the island except Lilybæum and Drepanum.

(530) Regulus was sent to Rome with proposals of peace, which  
 A were rejected<sup>1</sup>. On the other hand, the endeavours of the  
 1 Romans to obtain possession of Lilybæum and Drepanum  
 were rendered abortive by the obstinacy of the besieged ;  
 and an attempt to renew the war by sea, ended in the  
 destruction of a Roman fleet commanded by that P. Clau-  
 dius Pulcher (son of Appius Cæcus), who had ordered the  
 sacred chickens to be thrown into the sea. This loss, the  
 third which they had sustained by sea, induced the Romans  
 B again to abandon naval warfare. The Carthaginians main-  
 tained themselves in Sicily seven years longer, under the  
 command of Hamilcar Barcas (father of the renowned  
 Hannibal), who principally occupied the fortress of Eryx.  
 At length, in the year 242, the war was terminated by a  
 decisive victory, gained by a Roman fleet (which had been  
 fitted out by private enterprise, and placed under the com-  
 mand of the consul, C. Lutatius Catulus,) over the  
 Carthaginian fleet commanded by Hanno, near the Æga-  
 tian islands. The exhausted condition of both nations now  
 rendered them desirous of peace, which was concluded on  
 the following terms:—the Carthaginians renounced all  
 authority over Sicily and the adjacent islands, delivered up  
 the Roman prisoners without ransom, and engaged to pay  
 C a sum of 3200 talents (241). The whole of Sicily, with  
 the exception of the Syracusan possessions, became the  
 first Roman province.

531 A few years later (238), the Romans, availing them-  
 selves of the confusion occasioned by the war of the Car-  
 thaginian mercenaries (see § 40. iii.), took possession of  
 Sardinia and Corsica, which, in all probability, they had  
 never entirely abandoned since their first settlement in  
 those islands.

### § 120. *War with the Illyrians.*

(230—228.)

532 Having in vain demanded satisfaction from the Illyrian  
 queen, Teuta, for acts of piracy committed in the Ionian

<sup>1</sup> The death of Regulus, by torture, after his return to Carthage,  
 is not mentioned by Polybius, and is pronounced by Dion Cassius to  
 be a mere legend.

sea, the Romans, after the murder of one of their ambas- (532  
sadors, declared war against the Illyrians. After the loss <sup>A</sup>  
of several cities, which soon yielded to the combined  
forces of the Romans, and the Illyrian traitor, Demetrius,  
the queen concluded a peace with the invaders, pledging  
herself to pay a considerable tribute, to resign the greater  
part of her dominions, and to confine the navigation of her  
fleets within very narrow limits.

In gratitude for their deliverance from Illyrian piracy, the Greeks <sup>533</sup>  
conferred on the Romans the privilege of taking part in the Isthmian  
games, and the Eleusinian mysteries, together with the freedom of <sup>B</sup>  
the city of Athens.

### § 121. *Conquest of Cisalpine Gaul.*

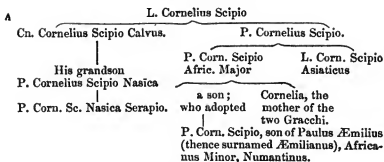
The distribution among the plebeians (in consequence of <sup>534</sup>  
the agrarian law of the tribune, C. Flaminius), of the ager  
Picenus, which had been forcibly taken from the Senones,  
occasioned a general rising of the Boii, Insübres, and trans-  
alpine Gæsataë (226). The insurgents penetrated into  
Etruria, where they defeated a prætorian army (near  
Fæsülæ?), but were soon afterwards attacked near Tela-  
mon by both the consuls, and utterly routed. After the <sup>c</sup>  
defeat of the Boii, the Romans prosecuted the war on the  
other side of the Padus, in the territory of the Insübres,  
where they gained fresh victories (Flaminius, on the river  
Addua; Cl. Marcellus near Clastidium, on the Padus), took  
the most important cities of the Insubres (Mediolanum,  
Comum), and subdued the whole of Gallia Cisalpina (221).  
For the security of this newly-acquired territory colonies  
were established in Placentia and Cremona.

From the year 238 to 230 the Romans were engaged in wars with <sup>535</sup>  
the Ligurians, but their campaigns, although repeated almost annu-  
ally during the whole of that period, produced as yet no decided  
advantage.

§ 122. *Second Punic War.*

(218—201.)

## Pedigree of the Scipios.



536 Causes.—With the view of indemnifying his native city for the loss of her best provinces, Sicily and Sardinia, Hamilcar Barcas had commenced the subjugation of Spain, which was carried on by his son-in-law, Hasdrūbal, until his progress was stopped by the conclusion of a treaty with the Romans, in which he pledged himself not to pass the Iberus, and to respect Saguntum as an ally of Rome. After the assassination of Hasdrubal, the command of the army devolved on Hannibal, son of Hamilcar Barcas, who took Saguntum, after a siege of eight months. The result of this act of aggression was a war, which Hannibal at once resolved to carry into Italy; and leaving his brother, Hasdrubal, in Spain, he crossed the Pyrenees (after subduing all the nations between the Iberus and those mountains), traversed southern Gaul, forced a passage through the Rhodānus [*Rhone*], crossed the Alps in fifteen days (by the Little S. Bernard), and, in the month of October, 218, appeared in Italy with 20,000 infantry, 6000 cavalry, and a few elephants.

537 The Romans had resolved, after the capture of Saguntum, to attack the Carthaginians both in Spain and Africa. In pursuance of this plan, one of the consuls, Tib. Sempronius, was despatched into Sicily (in the year 218), with orders to effect a landing on the African coast, whilst the other, P. Cornelius Scipio, marched into Spain. Learning, however, on his arrival at Massilia, that Hannibal had

already advanced as far as Gaul, Scipio sent his brother, Cneius Scipio into Spain, and himself returned to Italy, to await the arrival of Hannibal.

A. The war in Italy (218—203).

538

In the year 218, Hannibal overthrew both the consuls; <sup>A</sup> P. Cornelius Scipio on the banks of the Ticinus, and afterwards (with the aid of a Gallic reinforcement), Tib. Sempronius Longus, on the Trebia. The latter of these generals had been recalled from Sicily, and had effected a junction with the remnant of Scipio's beaten army. In the year 217 Hannibal traversed the marshes on the banks of the Arnus, and gained a third victory near the lake Trasimēnus, over the raw legions of the consul Flaminius, who was slain with most of his soldiers. Instead of ad- <sup>B</sup> vancing at once on Rome, Hannibal now marched into Apulia and thence into Campania, in the hope of inducing the allies of Rome to revolt. These movements were closely watched by the dictator, Q. Fabius, who hoped, by avoiding an engagement, to weary out the enemy (hence his surname of Cunctator [*the Delayer*]). In the year 216 Hannibal forced the consuls, C. Terentius Varro, and L. Æmilius Paulus, to give him battle near Cannæ, and obtained a decisive victory through the superiority of his cavalry. Æmilius Paulus with 40,000 Romans and allies <sup>C</sup> lay dead on the field. The most important result of this victory was the accession to the Carthaginian cause of the nations and cities of central and lower Italy, together with the Campanians and Samnites, none remaining faithful to the Romans except the Latins and a few insulated cities of central and lower Italy. The Romans nevertheless strained every nerve to equip a fresh army, with which Q. Fabius Maximus and M. Claudius Marcellus checked the advance of Hannibal in Campania, defeated him twice near Nola, forced him to retreat still further southwards, and endeavoured to bring back the revolted states to their allegiance.

Whilst Hannibal was occupied in besieging Tarentum (which <sup>539</sup> surrendered, with the exception of the citadel), the city of Capua, <sup>D</sup> where he had established his head-quarters<sup>1</sup>, was closely invested

<sup>1</sup> Livy's account of the enervation of Hannibal's army by the luxuries of Capua is worthy of little credit; for the troops, although

(539) by a Roman army. On receiving this intelligence, Hannibal, who had failed in his attempts to reduce the citadel of Tarentum, returned into Campania, attacked the blockading army, and spread universal consternation by advancing almost to the gates of Rome<sup>2</sup> (Hannibal ante portas!). Finding however that no relief could be afforded to Capua, the Carthaginian leader fell back on Bruttium, and the Romans, storming Capua, avenged themselves by putting to death seventy of her senators. Meanwhile, the war was prosecuted with various success in the south of Italy, where Marcellus was three times victorious in one year (209), but in the following he was drawn into an ambushade by Hannibal, and lost his life. Tarentum was retaken by Fabius.

540 Being unsupported by the government at home through the intrigues of his adversary Hanno, Hannibal endeavoured to obtain the assistance of foreign powers. But Philip III., king of Macedonia, with whom he had concluded an alliance immediately after the battle of Cannæ, was prevented from landing in Italy by a Roman fleet which cruised in the Ionian sea; and at the same time Syracuse, where the Carthaginian party had obtained the ascendancy, was blockaded by sea and land by M. Claudius Marcellus, and after an obstinate defence, which lasted two years, was taken (212) by means of the engines invented by Archimêdês, among which, if we may believe tradition, were several burning glasses. Agrigentum having also been betrayed into the hands of the Romans, the remaining cities surrendered voluntarily, and in the year 210 the whole of Sicily became a Roman province. It was at length resolved by Hannibal to recall the Carthaginian troops from Spain, where they were stationed under the command of his brothers, Hasdrubal and Mago. The former of these generals crossed the Alps, but, before he could join his brother, he was attacked on the banks of the Metaurus by both the consuls of the year 210 (M. Livius Salinator and C. Claudius Nero, the latter of whom had misled Hannibal by the abandonment of his camp near Canusium), his army completely routed, and himself slain. Mago, who had landed in Liguria from the Balearic islands, after struggling for three years

unsupported by the Carthaginian government, remained in Italy fourteen years after the capture of that city.—*Niebuhr*.

<sup>2</sup> The story of a battle before the gates of Rome being twice prevented by a storm is a mere poetical fiction.—*Niebuhr*.

against the Romans without any important result, was (540) recalled by the Carthaginian government, together with A Hannibal, whose operations since the battle of the Metaurus had been restricted to Bruttium. Mago died on the passage, of wounds received in his Italian campaign.

B. Contemporaneous war in Spain (218—206). 541

Cn. Scipio, supported by several Spanish tribes, which were struggling to liberate themselves from the Punic yoke, opened the campaign with the conquest of the whole line of coast between the Pyrenees and the Ebro. In the second year of the war, Publius Scipio arrived in Spain; and for six years the two brothers fought with uniform success against Hasdrubal and his brother Mago (who had been sent from Carthage to his assistance). At B this period, nearly the whole of Spain was in the hands of the Romans, but the brothers having imprudently divided their forces (in 211), with the view of ending the war at once by a simultaneous attack on the two hostile armies, both were surrounded by the Carthaginians and Numidians (under Masinissa), themselves slain, and their armies almost annihilated. The Carthaginians now commenced the re-conquest of the revolted Spanish provinces, but the arrival of P. Cornelius Scipio the younger (afterwards Africanus), gave another direction to the war. After C storming new Carthage, the head-quarters of the Carthaginian army, Scipio, who had made himself exceedingly popular among the Spanish tribes, overthrew Hasdrubal (near Bæcula, to the north of the Bætis [*Guadalquivir*]), and after the departure of that general gained a victory on the same spot over Mago, who retreated to Cades, and eventually followed his colleague into Italy. Spain was D now (206) divided by the Romans into two provinces, which they named Hispania Citerior and Hispania Ulterior. Scipio, who, on his return to Rome, had been elected consul, instead of receiving Africa as his province (the opposition of the veteran generals rendering such an arrangement impossible), was nominated governor of Sicily, permission being at the same time granted him to transport an army of volunteers into Africa.

C. Conclusion of the war in Africa (204—202). 542

With this force and the ships of his allies, Scipio (in

(542) 204) effected a landing in Africa, where he was joined by  
 A Masinissa, king of the eastern Numidians, who had been  
 deprived of his kingdom by Syphax, king of western  
 Numidia. As the husband of Sophonisba, daughter of  
 Hasdrubal, Syphax allied himself to the Carthaginians,  
 and in conjunction with his father-in-law planned an attack  
 on the Roman camp. But their design was anticipated by  
 Scipio and Masinissa, who burnt the enemy's camp, and  
 annihilated the combined Punic and Numidian forces.  
 Syphax then retreated, but was pursued into his own  
 B dominions and taken prisoner. Several cities having  
 fallen, and the capital itself being threatened by the united  
 forces of Scipio and Masinissa, the Carthaginian govern-  
 ment deemed it advisable to recall Hannibal and Mago  
 from Italy. The latter of these generals died, as we have  
 already mentioned, on the voyage. Hannibal, after fruit-  
 less endeavours to negotiate a peace, sustained a signal  
 defeat near Zama, on the 19th October, 202. Carthage,  
 being now blockaded by sea and land, was compelled to  
 accept peace on the following terms:—All her ships of  
 war (except ten triremes) and elephants were to be de-  
 livered up to the Romans, 10,000 talents to be paid within  
 fifty years, and no war to be undertaken without the con-  
 sent of Rome.

543 Masinissa was rewarded with the sovereignty of the two Numi-  
 C dias. Scipio obtained a triumph which was conducted on a scale  
 of unprecedented magnificence, Syphax, the captive monarch, walk-  
 ing in the procession. He was also honoured with the surname of  
 Africanus (the first instance of such a name being bestowed in com-  
 memoration of a victory). The states of Lower Italy, which had  
 revolted to Hannibal, were reduced for the most part to the con-  
 dition of vassalage.

§ 123. *The Two Wars against Philip III. king of  
 Macedonia.*

544 Having thus established on a firm basis their supremacy  
 D in the west, the Romans commenced a struggle for pre-  
 ponderance in the east, for which the protection of the  
 Greeks furnished them with a convenient pretext. The  
 foresight with which these plans of conquest were laid,



and the patience displayed in the execution of them, were the best security for the durability of their triumphs.

#### First Macedonian war (214—204).

545

Philip of Macedonia having formed an alliance with Hannibal [cf. A 540, n], the Romans endeavoured to defeat his ambitious projects in Illyria; but being unable to attain this object, they courted the friendship of Philip's enemies, the warlike Ætolians, with their allies, the Eleans and Lacedæmonians, Attalus of Pergamus, and the Messenians, who had been ill-treated by the Macedonian king. By thus creating a diversion, they hoped to find sufficient employment for Philip at home, and thus to prevent his passing over into Italy. A protracted war between Philip and the Ætolians with their respective allies (in which the Romans latterly took hardly any part), ended in a general peace (204), which contained the seeds of fresh hostilities, in the provision that neither party should make war on the allies of the other.

#### Second Macedonian war (200—197).

546

Notwithstanding this agreement with the Romans, Philip B continued to persecute their allies, the Illyrians, and sent to the assistance of the Carthaginians a body of auxiliaries, who fought against Scipio in the battle of Zama. After the conclusion of the second Punic war, the Romans availed themselves of an opportunity of punishing Philip, afforded by the applications made to them by Attalus, king of Pergamus, and the republic of Rhodes, for protection against his tyranny. The war nevertheless was prosecuted with little vigour or success, until the time of T. Quinctius Flaminius (son of that Flaminius who was slain in the battle of the Trasimene lake). This C general soon made himself master of the whole of Epirus, compelled the Achæan league to form an alliance with the Romans, and, being supported by the most important Grecian states, put an end to the war (in 197), by the victory of Cynoscephalæ, in Thessaly. Philip was compelled to renounce the Hegemony of Greece, and to evacuate all the Greek districts and towns of which he had taken possession. These places were proclaimed free by Flaminius at the Isthmian games in 196.

Before he quitted Greece, Flaminius compelled the tyrant Nabis 547 to deliver up the maritime cities of Laconia and his possessions in D Crete; but he was still allowed to exercise some authority, as a counterpoise to the influence of the Achæans.

§ 124. *War with Antiochus III. of Syria.*

(192—190.)

For the Syrian war, see § 80.

- 548 During the war in Asia, the Ætolians, encouraged by a false report of the total defeat of L. Scipio, had violated the armistice;  
 A and renewed the war with the Romans. They were however speedily subdued (by the consul M. Fulvius Nobilior), and compelled to recognize the supremacy of Rome.

The two Scipios were charged by the tribunes of the people (at the instance of M. Porcius Cato Censorius), with having received bribes from Antiochus during the negotiations for peace. Publius retired to his estate near Linternum, where he died in the year 185. Lucius was condemned to pay a multa, for the discharge of which his property was sold.

- B The Romans having called on Antiochus to deliver up Hannibal, that general fled to Prusias, king of Bithynia, and being apprehensive of treachery on the part of his new protector, he swallowed poison in the year 183.

§ 125. *Third Macedonian War.*

(171—168.)

- 549 Philip III., who had been greatly irritated by the  
 C vexatious tyranny of the Romans, was engaged in preparations for a new war, for the purpose of recovering the dominions of which he had been despoiled, when death put an end to his projects. The preparations were continued by his son and successor Perseus, a man of undecided character, who endeavoured to strengthen his cause by alliances with various nations in Greece, Illyria, Rhodes, Syria, &c., but was often impeded by his own avarice and cruelty. The breaking out of war was precipitated by the conduct of a crafty and contemptible prince, named Eumenes, of Pergamus, who fearing for his Thracian possessions, went to Rome and disclosed the  
 D proceedings of Perseus to the senate. The first three campaigns were indecisive; but discipline having been restored by the appointment to the command-in-chief of L. Æmilius Paulus (son of the general who fell at Cannæ), a battle was fought at Pydna, which lasted only one hour, and decided the fate of the Macedonian monarchy. Perseus, who had fled to Samothrace at the

commencement of the engagement, was compelled to sur- (549)  
render, and died in captivity at Alba. With a show of a  
generosity the Romans declared Macedonia a free state,  
but in order to prepare the country for submission to their  
sovereign rule, they divided it into four districts, which  
were precluded from connubium and commercium with  
one another, and required to pay the half of the tribute  
hitherto exacted. The booty brought by Æmilius to  
Rome was so enormous, that from that time until the reign  
of Augustus no direct taxes were paid by the Roman  
citizens; but the effect of this apparent indulgence was to  
deprive the people of the means of resistance which they  
had hitherto possessed in refusing the tribute, and thus to  
throw the whole management of foreign affairs into the  
hands of the senate.

Illyria (after the defeat of king Genthius) was divided, 550  
as a punishment for its alliance with Perseus, into three B  
districts; whilst in Epirus, which had yielded to the  
Romans almost without striking a blow, seventy cities  
were sacked in *one* day, and 150,000 inhabitants sold into  
slavery. About 1000 of the principal Achæans (among  
whom was Polybius), being falsely accused by a party of  
traitors (headed by Callicrātes) of attachment to the cause  
of Perseus, were summoned to Rome (ostensibly that they  
might purge themselves from the charge) and detained  
there, without being allowed a hearing, for seventeen years,  
at the end of which time (in 151), the 300 who still  
survived were permitted to return to their own country.

Thenceforward there existed a predominant Roman c  
party in each of the Grecian cities; and the disputes of  
these states with one another were fostered by the Romans,  
that they might have a pretence for acting the part of  
arbitrators, as they had lately done in Syria and Egypt.

Antiochus IV. Epiphanes was compelled by the Romans to 551  
abandon his warlike designs on Egypt. After his death, Demetrius,  
the rightful heir to the throne, was detained at Rome as a hostage,  
and Antiochus V., a boy of nine years old, appointed king in his  
room, that the Romans might be enabled to act as his guardians.  
Demetrius, however, escaped and regained possession of his throne.  
With the view of weakening Egypt, the Romans divided the sove-  
reignty of that country between two brothers, Philomētor and  
Physcon.

§ 126. *The last Wars with Macedonia and Greece.*

552 Relying on the discontent occasioned by the abolition of  
 A the royal authority in Macedonia and the measures generally adopted by the Romans, one Andriscus (who gave himself out as Philip, the brother and adopted son of Perseus, and thence is commonly named Pseudo-Philippus), made an attempt to re-establish the Macedonian monarchy. After taking possession of the whole of Macedonia, and making two inroads into Thessaly, the impostor was defeated in two battles by the Roman prætor, Q. Cæcilius Metellus, and taken prisoner. As a punishment for its revolt, Macedonia was made a Roman province in the year 148.

553 Of the thousand Achæans who had been sent to Rome,  
 B three hundred at length returned to their country after a captivity of seventeen years; amongst them were Critolaus and Diaeus, who endeavoured to persuade their countrymen to resist the Romans; upon this the latter, availing themselves of a dispute between the Achæan league and Sparta (for the territory of Belmina), declared the league dissolved. Critolaus now came forward in the character of demagogue, and proclaimed war against Sparta; but was utterly defeated near Scarphea in Locris, by Metellus (who had arrived in that country after the destruction of the Macedonian monarchy). Critolaus himself disappeared during the engagement. The more sensible among the Achæans now sued for peace, but the party of Critolaus, headed by Diaeus, persisted in carrying on the war. Metellus was superseded by the barbarian L. Mummius, who, after gaining a victory at Leucopëtra on the isthmus, sacked and burnt the city of Corinth, partly plundered and partly destroyed the other towns, which had taken part against Rome, and carried off the fairest works of Grecian art to adorn his triumph. In the year 146, Hellas, with the Peloponnesus, was proclaimed a Roman province, under the name of Achaia, by ten commissioners sent from Rome for that purpose.

§ 127. *The Third Punic War.*

(150—146.)

554 The Carthaginians having made war on Masinissa without the permission of the Romans, it was resolved by the

Roman senate, on the motion of M. Porcius Cato (whose (554) mediation had been rejected by the Carthaginians), in <sup>A</sup> opposition to the opinion of P. Corn. Scipio Nasica, to declare the peace at an end. The Roman consuls then compelled the Carthaginians to give up all their ships and weapons; and having thus disarmed them, required them to abandon their city and build another, two miles from the sea. In their despair the Carthaginians offered a furious resistance, which continued for two years. At the end of that time P. Corn. Scipio Africanus (147) being appointed commander-in-chief, cut off all communication by land with the besieged city by establishing an intrenched camp on the isthmus, and at the same time blockaded the harbour by means of a dam. In the <sup>B</sup> following year the inhabitants, worn out by famine, surrendered after bravely fighting from street to street for six days. The city was then plundered and destroyed; and the whole of the Carthaginian empire, except that portion which belonged to Numidia, became a Roman province, under the name of Africa, with Utica for its capital.

### § 128. *Further Wars in Spain.*

(200—133.)

Although the Romans had been accustomed since the 555 year 206 to consider Spain as one of their provinces, it <sup>C</sup> was full 200 years from the first invasion before they obtained quiet possession of the peninsula, the last Cantabrians having yielded to Augustus B. C. 19. Until 133 they were perpetually occupied in putting down revolts of the Spanish tribes. A brilliant victory over the Celtibēri (195) placed the whole of Spain on this side the Ibērus at the disposal of the consul M. Porcius Cato, who commanded the inhabitants of all the towns to demolish their walls on the same day. The war nevertheless continued, <sup>D</sup> not only with the Lusitani in further Spain, but with the Celtiberi on this side the river—and from 153 to 133 without intermission. The most determined opposition was offered by the Lusitani until the death of their leader Viriāthus, a brave herdsman, who was assassinated during sleep by his faithless comrades. The war, which was still carried on successfully by the Celtibcrians, and

- (555) especially by the Numantians, was at last terminated by P.  
 ▲ Cornelius Scipio Æmilius Africanus Minor, who destroyed the fortress of Numantia on the Durus after a siege of fifteen months (133). Hence his surname of Numantinus. From that time the whole of Spain, with the exception of the northern highlands, became subject to the dominion of the Romans.

§ 129. *Wars against the Gauls, Ligurians, Carnians, and Istrians.*

- 556 During the progress of these events in Spain the  
 B Romans were constantly engaged in struggles with the Cisalpine Gauls, who had been subdued previously to the second Punic war, and with the Ligurians. The result of these disputes was the subjugation of the district termed "Provincia" in Transalpine Gaul.

- 557 During the second Punic war the Gauls had attached themselves to Hannibal. After the conclusion of that war, the Gallic and Ligurian campaigns were repeated almost annually; the former for eighteen (200—182), and the latter for forty years (193—154). The aid given by the Romans to the city of Massilia against the neighbouring Gallic tribes afforded them an opportunity of making conquests also in Transalpine Gaul, where the first Roman colonies,  
 C Aquæ Sextiæ and Narbo, were established in 123. Fresh conquests speedily followed their interference in the disputes of the Gallic tribes—the Arverni became dependent on Rome under the name of allies, and the Allobroges Roman subjects. The territories thus acquired formed a Roman province, which in later times was denominated pre-eminently "Provincia" (hence the modern name of Provence).

The Carnians, Istrians, and Dalmatians, were also subjugated (colony of Aquileia founded), as well as the Balearic islands.

§ 130. *First Insurrection of the Slaves in Sicily.*

(136—131.)

- 558 The cruelties to which they were subjected in Sicily occasioned a general insurrection of the slaves, who invited the Syrian Eunus to become their king (Antiochus). At the head of 70,000 men, this leader made head for awhile against the Roman armies; but the reduction of their principal fortresses, Tauromenium and Enna (by Rupilius),

and the capture of Eunus himself, at length put an end to the insurrection.

§ 131. *Domestic History during this period.*

During this period the republic reached its highest state 559 of development. The distinction between patricians and A plebeians had become obsolete (hence since the year 174 both consuls had frequently been plebeians), and the struggles between the hereditary nobility and commons were at an end. The term "Populus" now comprehended the entire population (the comitia centuriata), including of course the plebs. On the other hand, there arose a new order of nobility, consisting of persons whose ancestors had filled curule offices (the consulate, prætorship, ædileship). In contradistinction to these *nobiles* or *optimates*, B the families which had never produced any magistrates of the higher order were termed *ignobiles* or *obscuri*, and their members *homines novi*. The nobles not only endeavoured, like the patricians at an earlier period, to retain as far as possible all the higher offices among themselves, but were anxious also to give them more importance and a more extensive sphere of action (the censorship and auspices).

The exclusion of all but the richest families from this order was 560 the necessary consequence of a practice, which prevailed from the time of the first Punic war, of defraying the expenses of the public C games, not out of the exchequer, but from the private resources of the ædiles. Thus none but wealthy men were admissible to the ædileship, which was the first step to the higher offices of state. The equestrian dignity was also in the hands of the rich, the rank having no longer any connexion with actual military service in the cavalry, but belonging to all who possessed a certain census equester (1 mill. asses). Thus there arose eventually a distinction between equites and ordo equester. The knights, on account of their pecuniary transactions and the farming of the public revenues, were in a variety of ways dependent on the senate and the censors, and were obliged in consequence to take part with the optimates; as were also the allies, whose affairs were administered by the senate.

Increase in the number of Prætors.—In addition 561 to the prætor urbanus, a second prætor was appointed in D 242, for the settlement of disputes between foreigners resident at Rome and between foreigners and Roman citizens. Four prætors were soon added for the administration of

(561) the provinces—viz. two for Sicily and Sardinia (in 227),  
 A and two for the two Spains (199). But latterly all these magistrates remained at Rome, during their year of office, as presidents of the four *standing* criminal tribunals (*quæstiones perpetuæ*), which had been established for the trial of the more common offences, in the room of the *comitia centuriata*. At the commencement of their second year the whole body of prætors, who then assumed the title of *proprætors*, set out for the provinces assigned to them by lot, accompanied by legates and *quæstors*.

The four *quæstiones perpetuæ* (from 144) were—1. *De repetundis*—concerning extortion; 2. *de ambitu*—obtaining office by undue means; 3. *de majestate*—treason; 4. *de peculatu*—peculation of public moneys.

# 562 Administration of the Provinces.

a. *Meaning of the term "province."*—A province comprehended,  
 B strictly speaking, only those cities of a conquered country which had been reduced to the condition of subject and tributary states; consequently, the *imperium* of the prætor did not extend to those which had either always retained their independence and been admitted into the rank of allies, or which, after their subjugation, had been restored to freedom, or had received extraordinary privileges, such as exemption from taxes and other burdens. Colonies were also gradually established in the provinces; and these, whether Roman or Latin, were exempted from the *imperium* of the prætor.

c b. *Constitution of the provincial government.*—As a general rule, the provinces received, immediately after their subjugation, a form of constitution (*forma*) from the hands of the conqueror, or through a commission of ten senators. The duty of the provincial governor was threefold. 1. The executive government; 2. police and the administration of justice; 3. command-in-chief of the garrisons established in the country.

e. *Taxation in the provinces.*—The provincial imposts were different in different provinces, but consisted generally of a poll-tax and property-tax; the latter being paid partly in coin and partly by a tithe of the produce. This tax was not collected immediately by the government, but farmed out to private speculators. To these may be added money paid for the use of the public pastures, duties, taxes on mines, and salt works, &c. The provincials were never required to serve in the army, except in cases of extraordinary emergency. The garrisons were always sent out from Rome.

# 563 Relations of Rome with other free States.

D These relations were based on treaties, concluded either on equal terms (*æquo fœdere*) with nations previously unconnected with the Romans, or which had made a successful stand against them, or on unequal terms (*fœdere iniquo*) with weaker states; for instance, with Carthage, after the first and second Punic wars. Alliances were also concluded, on equal or unequal terms, with foreign sovereigns, who were styled the friends and allies of the Roman people.



Attempts were made to check the progress of luxury 564 and the increasing adoption of foreign manners, by the enactment of laws (respecting female ornament, the expenditure at feasts, the *senatus consultum de Bacchanalibus*), and by severe censors; among whom M. Porcius Cato Censorius was the most conspicuous.

(For the *lex annalis*, see § 103.) The tribes were increased to thirty-five.

cc. From the Gracchi to the autocracy of Augustus, 133—30. Decline and Fall of the Republic.

*Civil and Foreign Wars.*

§ 132. *The two Gracchi.*

(133—121.)

The population of Rome consisted at this period of the 565 nobiles (who had enriched themselves by holding lucrative offices at home and in the provinces), and an indolent and poverty-stricken commonalty. The former were tenants of the whole *ager publicus*; and the free peasantry, ground down by military service and compelled by absolute want to sell their birthright, were gradually disappearing. Under these circumstances, a tribune of the people, named Tiberius Sempronius Gracchus, revived in the year 133 an obsolete agrarian law of Licinius, by which it was enacted that no individual should hold more than 500 jugera of *ager publicus*. Half the quantity was allowed in addition for each non-emancipated son. The remainder was to be restored to the state (a reasonable compensation being made for buildings erected thereon), and to be divided as a fief among the poorer classes. One of the tribunes (M. Octavius), who had been persuaded by the senate to interpose his veto, having been removed from office, the project of law was adopted by the tribus, and three commissioners appointed to carry out its provisions. Attalus III., king of Pergamus, who had bequeathed his kingdom to the Roman people, dying about the same time, Tiberius proposed that his treasures, instead of being entrusted to the senate for distribution, should be divided among the people, for the purpose of forming agricultural establishments on the farms about to be assigned to them.

(565) In the following year, Tiberius, whose re-election was  
 A eagerly desired by the people, was assassinated, with 300  
 of his adherents, by the senators, at the instigation of  
 P. Corn. Scipio Nasica Serapio. Under colour of an em-  
 bassy, Scipio Nasica was banished into Asia, where Aris-  
 tonicus, a pretended son of Eumenes, who was endea-  
 vouring to establish his claims to the throne of Pergamus,  
 was overthrown by the consul Perperna. Asia Propria a  
 Roman province.

566 The commissioners for carrying out the agrarian law of Gracchus,  
 succeeded at length in effecting a partial distribution of the land.  
 Scipio Africanus Minor, the leader of the Optimates, who had suc-  
 cessfully resisted the proposal of Papirius Carbo, that the same in-  
 dividual should be permitted to hold the office of tribune for several  
 successive years, was soon afterwards found dead in his bed<sup>1</sup> (129).

567 Caius Sempronius Gracchus (who had been em-  
 B ployed by the senate for three years as quæstor in Sicily)  
 revived, as tribune, the agrarian law of his brother, with  
 the addition, that a certain number of estates belonging to  
 the republic should be annually divided among the poor.  
 By this and similar proposals, Gracchus secured the favour  
 of the people, and, being a second time elected tribune,  
 obtained the passing of a *lex judiciaria*, by which the ju-  
 dicial authority was transferred from the senate to the  
 knights; the former being deemed unfit for the office on  
 account of the partiality which they had displayed towards  
 C their own order. Another candidate for popular favour  
 was brought forward by the senate in the person of the  
 tribune, M. Livius Drusus, whose efforts to outbid his rival  
 were aided by the circumstance of C. Gracchus being sent  
 to Carthage to establish a colony. After his return,  
 Gracchus brought forward a *lex de suffragiis sociorum*, by  
 which it was proposed to grant the full privileges of  
 Roman citizenship to the Latins, and perhaps the right of  
 suffrage to all the Italian allies; but the passing of this  
 law was arrested by the veto of Livius Drusus. In the  
 year 122, Gracchus and 3000 of his adherents lost their  
 lives in a brawl with the aristocrats, occasioned by the as-  
 sassination of a lictor. (His head weighed against gold—  
 a temple of Concordia built!)

<sup>1</sup> F. D. Gerlach, "*Historical Studies*" [p. 201—254], shows that  
 Scipio was murdered, the assassin being probably C. Papirius Carbo.

The Optimates availed themselves of this victory over the commons to neutralize the agrarian law of Gracchus, by allowing the poor to sell the portions of land allotted to them; and when by these means the rich had obtained possession of all the landed property, the lex Thoria was passed, prohibiting any further distribution of the ager publicus. The pauper citizens, whose numbers were greatly increased by this measure, were now supported principally by bribes received from the rich, who exercised unlimited control over the votes given by their dependents at the comitia. This influence was restricted by a law proposed by C. Marius, a homo novus [cf. 559, B], who had been elected tribune; but the bribery still continued.

### § 133. *The War with Jugurtha.*

(112—106.)

Micipsa, the son of Masinissa, had divided his kingdom of Numidia between his sons Hiempsal and Adherbal, and his adopted son Jugurtha. In the year 116, Jugurtha put Hiempsal to death, and made war on Adherbal, who appealed to the Romans. A partition of the kingdom between Jugurtha and Adherbal was proposed by those members of the senate who had been bribed by the former; but Jugurtha, in defiance of this intervention, attacked Adherbal, blockaded him in his capital, Cirta, took him prisoner, and put him to death. The Romans now declared war against Jugurtha, at the instance of C. Memmius; but the African prince purchased terms of peace from the consul L. Calpurnius Piso (111), which Memmius refused to ratify. Jugurtha was now summoned to appear at Rome, where he assassinated a grandson of Masinissa (named Massiva), who laid claim to the Numidian empire as heir of his grandfather. This daring act produced a renewal of the war, in which the Romans were at first unsuccessful, until the appointment to the chief command of Q. Cæcilius Metellus, who took C. Marius with him as his lieutenant; and, rejecting all the overtures of Jugurtha, overthrew him in a battle, ravaged his dominions, and compelled him to fly for refuge to his father-in-law, Bocchus, king of Mauritania. Meanwhile, the intrigues of Marius at Rome had obtained for him the consulate and chief command of the army in Numidia. He overthrew the two kings near Cirta (capite censi in the legions), and his quæstor, L. Cornelius Sulla, induced Bocchus to deliver up Jugurtha (106), who was exhibited in chains in the triumphal procession of Marius, and then starved to

A death in prison. Numidia was divided between Bocchus and the descendants of Masinissa.

§ 134. *War with the Cimbri and Teutōnēs.*

(113—101.)

570 A short time before the Jugurthine war, the Cimbri, a German race, had wandered from their home (on the shores of the Baltic?) as far as Styria, and overthrown a Roman army (under Cn. Papirius Carbo) near Noreia. Thence they directed their march westwards, and skirting the northern edge of the Alps reached the Rhine, where they united their forces with those of the Teutōnēs (Tigurīni and Ambrōnēs), and demanded from the Romans a grant  
B of territory in Gaul. This being refused, they attacked and routed three Roman armies in Gaul, the last of which is reported to have lost 120,000 men. They then separated, and were cut off in detail by C. Marius, who held the consulate for four successive years (104—101). The Teutōnēs (and Ambrōnēs) were defeated near Aquæ Sextiæ in 102, and their leader Teutoboch taken; and the Cimbri, who had entered Italy from Rhætia, and defeated the consul Catulus on the Athesis, were overthrown  
C near Vercellæ (in campis Raudiis) in the year 101. The number of slain and prisoners amounted in each of the battles to 100,000. Marius was rewarded with a triumph, elected consul for the sixth time (100), and honoured with the title of third founder of the city.

§ 135. *Second Insurrection of the Slaves in Sicily.*

(103—99.)

571 The Roman prætor in Sicily having only partially carried into effect a decree of the senate, by which freedom was granted to those persons who were unjustly detained in slavery, a new servile war broke out, which seems to have cost a million of slaves their lives, and was terminated, after several skirmishes, by a decisive battle.

§ 136. *To the Social War.*

(100—91.)

572 From the time of his sixth consulate, Marius had been steadily endeavouring by every means in his power to

undermine the influence of the senate, and place himself (572) at the head of affairs. His first step was to persuade <sup>A</sup> L. Apuleius Saturninus, a wretch who had obtained the tribunate by murder, to propose a distribution of land among his veterans (chiefly Italian allies); the senators being, at the same time, warned of the consequences which would follow the rejection of his plan. Q. Metellus Numidicus, who stood alone as an opponent of this proposal, was banished to Rhodes. The assassination of the consul elect (for the year 99), C. Memmius (to make way for Glaucia, a friend of Saturninus), occasioned an insurrection, in which both lost their lives.

There was now a cessation of domestic feuds, until the <sup>B</sup> breaking out of a civil war, occasioned by the jealousy between Marius and Sulla, which had gone on increasing since the conclusion of the Jugurthine war. The commencement of actual hostilities was, however, deferred in consequence of an unexpected quarrel with the Italian confederates.

Metellus having been recalled in 99, Marius, as the only means of <sup>573</sup> sustaining his declining influence, travelled into Asia, and persuaded Mithridates, king of Pontus, to make war on the Romans. Mithridates commenced his conquests in Asia Minor with the occupation of Cappadocia, from which he was expelled by Sulla, at that time prætor in Asia, who thus became unintentionally a rival of Marius.

### § 137. *The Marsic or Social War.*

(91—88.)

Most of the Italian nations, although compelled to serve <sup>574</sup> in the Roman armies and pay taxes, were excluded from any participation in the government; the admission of the Latins to the full rights of citizenship and of the other Italians to the privilege of voting, as proposed by C. Gracchus, having been negatived by the veto of M. Livius Drusus. His son and namesake, M. Livius Drusus, having lost his life in a fresh attempt to obtain these concessions, the Italian confederates resolved to deliver themselves from the Roman yoke.

Immediate causes of the War.—The gross acts of injustice <sup>575</sup> perpetrated in the provinces by the knights, as farmers of the public

(575) revenue, remaining unpunished, because the offenders themselves were the judges, an attempt was made by M. Livius Drusus to deprive them of their jurisdiction, at least in part, by admitting 300 knights into the senate, and then choosing the judges from the whole body of senators. In order to carry out this plan, Drusus urged the Italian allies to exercise their influence over the citizens of Rome, for the purpose of securing their votes in favour of his "rogatio," promising to procure for them in return the political rights which they were so anxious to obtain. The project of Drusus became law; but when he went on to propose the admission of the allies to the rights of citizenship, he was assassinated, and his law repealed.

576 All the Italian nations, with the exception of the Latins,

<sup>B</sup> Etruscans, and Umbrians, now formed themselves into a confederacy against Rome. Their plan was to establish a republic, under the name of Italica, with the city of Corfinium for its capital—the government to be in the hands of a senate (consisting of 500 deputies from all the states), two consuls, and twelve prætors. The Latins and some tribes of the Etruscans were propitiated by a grant of Roman citizenship, made to them at the commencement of the war by the *lex Julia* (a law of L. Julius Cæsar). The theatres of war were three. 1. Northwards in Picenum, where the city of Asculum (the inhabitants of which had commenced hostilities with the murder of a prætor) was taken by Cn. Pompeius Strabo. 2. In central Italy, in the territories of the four united cantons, where the Romans were for the most part unsuccessful, except against the Marsians (under the command of Marius). Here also the war was terminated by Pompeius. 3. In the south, in Samnium and Campania, where Sulla (*libertini* in the legions) fought with distinguished success. As the war with Mithridates threatened Rome at the same time, the rest of the Italians, as fast as they submitted, were invested (in accordance with the *lex Plautia Papiria*) with the privileges of Roman citizenship, which were soon afterwards <sup>D</sup> conferred on all the municipia. Lest, however, the great numbers of the new citizens should give them a preponderance over the old, they were formed into eight new tribes, instead of being incorporated into the thirty-five which already existed.

§ 138. *Civil War between Marius and Sulla, 88—82 ;  
and first War against Mithridates, 87—84.*

1. The civil War to the death of Marius (88 577—86).

Sulla, after his glorious campaign against the Italian confederates, was elected consul, and received Asia as his province, with the command-in-chief of the army destined to act against Mithridates. On the other hand, Marius, through the instrumentality of the tribune P. Sulpicius, who was supported by a number of young knights (anti-senatus) and gladiators, obtained the distribution of the freedmen (who had hitherto been confined to the four *tribus urbanæ*) amongst the ancient thirty-five tribes, and by means of their votes procured the removal of Sulla, and his own appointment to the command-in-chief. Marius, on receiving intelligence of these proceedings, at once returned to Rome, which (after a skirmish at the Esquiline gate) was stormed for the first time by Roman legions. The Sulpician laws were immediately repealed, and Sulpicius himself put to death. Marius, after various adventures, reached Minturnæ (attempt to assassinate him), and thence passed over into Africa. Whilst, however, Sulla was carrying on the war against Mithridates, one Cinna, a consul of the popular party, whose election Sulla had been unable to prevent, was endeavouring to compel the re-enactment of the Sulpician law and procure the recall of Marius, through the votes of the new citizens. He was, it is true, expelled from the city by the Optimates, but succeeded in gaining over the army, which was still kept on foot in Campania to oppose the Italian confederates, and in joining Marius, who had returned from Africa. The two leaders then invested Rome, which was compelled by famine to open its gates; and this success was followed by the proscription and murder of Sulla's friends, not only at Rome but throughout Italy. Cinna and Marius nominated themselves as consuls for the year 86; but Marius died at the commencement of his seventh consulate, and was succeeded by L. Valerius Flaccus.

2. First War against Mithridates, 87—84. 578

Mithridates, availing himself of the confusion occasioned

(578) by the Social war, proceeded to carry out his plans  
 A for checking the progress of the Roman arms in Asia,  
 by the establishment of a union among all the nations  
 of the east. His first step towards the accomplishment of  
 this mighty project was the subjugation of Asia Minor, for  
 which an occasion was furnished by disputes respecting  
 the possession of Paphlagonia, Galatia, and Cappadocia.  
 Mithridates then sent his general Archelaus with an army  
 and a fleet into Greece, where he was joined by most of  
 the inhabitants. In order, however, to prevent his arrival  
 in Italy and junction with the Italian confederates, the  
 Romans put an end to the war at home by various conces-  
 B sions, and then despatched Sulla into Greece. After  
 storming Athens, which made an obstinate resistance, Sulla  
 quitted the exhausted territory of Attica, and entering  
 Bœotia gained two brilliant victories at Chæronœa and  
 Orchomēnus. The Marian party at Rome now assigned  
 the province of Asia and the conduct of the Mithridatic  
 war to the consul, L. Valerius Flaccus, who was murdered  
 by his own lieutenant, Fimbria. The war was carried on  
 by this new leader with such success, that an Asiatic peace  
 was soon afterwards concluded at Dardanus, on the fol-  
 lowing terms—

579 Mithridates was required to withdraw his garrisons from the pro-  
 C vince of Asia and Paphlagonia, to evacuate Bithynia and Cappadocia  
 in favour of Nicomēdes and Ariobarzānes, to deliver up seventy (or  
 eighty ?) ships of war, and pay 2000 talents as an indemnity for the  
 expenses incurred by the Romans in carrying on the war. Sulla  
 then demanded that Fimbria should resign the command of the  
 legions to him as the legitimate governor of Asia, whereupon Fimbria  
 committed suicide ; and Sulla, after extorting a fine of 20,000 talents  
 from the revolted cities of Asia Minor, returned to Rome. Cinna,  
 who was embarking troops at Ancona, in order to dispute his landing,  
 was slain by his own soldiers.

### 580 3. Termination of the civil War.

D In the year 83, Sulla, at the head of his victorious army  
 (40,000 strong), landed at Brundisium, and having re-  
 ceived a reinforcement of troops, raised for his service by  
 the younger Pompey and other Optimates, advanced by  
 slow marches as far as Campania, where he was met by  
 the united armies of the two consuls. Whole squadrons  
 of the consular force, including the entire army of Scipio,  
 were induced by bribery and fair promises to go over to



the enemy. The other consul (Norbanus) was left dead (580) on the field. In the following-year (82) Sulla overcame <sup>A</sup> C. Marius (consul of that year, and probably a son of the Marius who had been seven times consul), and having left one of his lieutenants to blockade him in his stronghold of Præneste, proceeded to Rome, and thence into Etruria, where the other consul (Cn. Papirius Carbo) still offered considerable resistance, which the continual subdivision of his forces compelled him at last to abandon, and escape into Africa. The Samnites (who had never laid down their arms since the Social war, and in consequence had not been admitted to the privileges of Roman citizenship), after an unsuccessful attempt to relieve Præneste, advanced to Rome with the intention of storming and sacking the city, but were completely routed before the gates, and many thousands of them captured and put to death. Præneste was also taken and plundered, the <sup>B</sup> Samnites and Prænestines proscribed *en masse* without any investigation, and Marius himself slain by a slave at his own request.

The numerous proscriptions at Rome as well as through- 581 out the whole of Italy, of persons who had supported Marius, afforded Sulla an opportunity, not merely of avenging himself on his enemies, but of rewarding also his soldiers and supporters, and utterly destroying the sovereignty of the people. In pursuance of this plan, he caused himself to be nominated Dictator for an unlimited period, and, with unrestricted authority, assumed the surname of Felix, and celebrated a triumph over Mithridates, which lasted two days. At the end of two years he solemnly <sup>C</sup> laid down the dictatorship, and died at his country-house near Puteoli. His funeral rites were celebrated with great pomp by his adherents.

Cn. Pompeius, after the conclusion of the war in Italy, 582 in which he had taken an active part, undertook the annihilation of the Marian party in Sicily, Africa, and Spain.

He captured and put to death the consul Carbo, who had returned into Sicily, and overthrew Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus (Cinna's son-in-law), with his ally Hiarbas, king of Numidia. On his return he received, probably from Sulla himself, the surname of Magnus, and celebrated his first triumph against the wishes of his patron. (For his war in Spain, see § 140.)

§ 139. *Changes effected in the Constitution by Sulla.*

(82—79.)

583 Instead of rendering his victory and the sovereign authority with which he was invested available for any plans of personal ambition, Sulla directed all his efforts towards the re-establishment of the aristocracy. 1. In pursuance of this object, he, in the first place, *deprived all the cities belonging to the opposite party* (especially in Samnium, Lucania, and Etruria) *of the rights of citizenship, and confiscated their lands*, which he bestowed on his own soldiers, with the view of securing their support to the new constitution. Thus military colonies were created with the full rights of citizenship. At the same time, in order to secure a popular party, he granted liberty and political privileges to 10,000 slaves belonging to the proscribed families. These new citizens were named after their patron Cornelii. 2. The *tribunitial power*, which had degenerated into licentiousness, was restrained within its original bounds; the tribunes being deprived of the right of proposing laws and addressing the people, as well as of becoming candidates for the higher offices. It would seem that the “*intercessio*” was the only privilege which they were allowed to retain. 3. On the other hand, Sulla endeavoured to raise the *senate*, by filling up the number of its members principally from the equestrian order (though not always with discretion), and restoring to it the judicial authority, the right of assigning provinces, and conferring commands-in-chief, as well as of previous deliberation on questions about to be proposed to the general assembly of the people. The *quæstors* were declared *ex officio* members of the senate; and, in order to render the filling up of the senatorial list a less difficult task in future, their number was augmented to twenty. 4. Another plan adopted by Sulla for strengthening the aristocracy, and especially his own party, was by increasing the number of pontifices, augurs, and guardians of the Sibylline books (which had been restored after the burning of the Capitol) to fifteen, who were no longer to be chosen by the people, but elected by the members of their respective colleges. 5. In order to diminish the influence of the people in the courts

of justice, and at the same time to increase the power of (583) the judges, who were now exclusively men of senatorial A dignity, Sulla added two new courts to the four which already existed,—an arrangement which rendered it necessary to increase the number of prætors from six to eight; but it is not distinctly known what sort of questions were decided by the new magistrates.

The order in which the higher offices might be held, as settled by 584 the *lex annalis* (see § 103), was again defined, and the acceptance of the same office a second time within ten years prohibited as before. Several criminal laws were also re-enacted by Sulla, and rendered more stringent (*lex de sicariis*, a law against assassinations; *de falso*, against fraud; *de majestate*, defining more accurately the crime of high treason; *lex repetundarum*, *lex de injuriis*, &c.).

Immediately after the death of Sulla, the repeal of all 585 his laws was proposed by the consul Æmilius Lepidus; B but this could only be effected gradually, on account of the opposition which the aristocracy (under Catulus and Pompey [Pompeius]) offered to such a measure. The first step was to render the tribunes eligible to the higher offices of state. Then Pompey, who on his return from Spain (see § 140) had abandoned the senatorial party, effected the restoration of the tribunitial power in its fullest extent, and procured the enactment of a law (the *lex Aurelia*), by which the knights were declared admissible to judicial offices. Thus he became the man of the people.

#### § 140. *The War against Sertorius.*

(80—72.)

Q. Sertorius, who, at the breaking out of the civil 586 war had joined the party opposed to the nobles, and been rewarded with the pro prætorship of further Spain, having been proscribed by Sulla and deprived of his province, fled to Africa (where he conquered Mauritania). The Lusitani, who at that great distance scarcely recognized the authority of Rome, recalled him from his banishment, and chose him as their leader against the governors appointed by Sulla (81). Thus supported by the Lusitani and the remnant of the Marian party, Sertorius made head not only against the feeble Q. Metellus Pius (son of Numidius), but against Pompey himself. Mithridates,

(586) who observed with delight that the Romans were becoming  
 A more and more occupied with the civil war, and with their  
 enemies on the shores of the Atlantic, now concluded an  
 alliance with Sertorius, who was soon afterwards assassinated at a banquet at the instigation of his own lieutenant Perperna. The command of the army was then assumed by Perperna, who was defeated by Pompey and executed. This victory put an end to the war; but the dominion of the Romans over Spain was not yet completely re-established.

§ 141. *The Servile War; or War of the Gladiators and Slaves.*

(73—71.)

587 Some gladiators, principally Thracians and Gauls, who  
 B had escaped from a school at Capua, placed themselves  
 under the command of a Thracian named Spartacus, and collected an enormous band of gladiators and slaves, with which they defeated four Roman armies. Spartacus would have quitted Italy, but his comrades, who thirsted for booty and revenge, determined to attack Rome itself. The Romans, panic-stricken, as they had been at the approach of Hannibal, conferred the supreme command, during the absence of Pompey, on the prætor M. Licinius Crassus, who put an end to the war by two decisive battles; in the second of which, on the Silarus, Spartacus lost his life. A remnant of the defeated army (5000 men) having crossed the Alps, fell in with Pompey, on his march homewards from Spain, and was utterly annihilated.

588 On his return to Rome, Pompey, who boasted that he had de-  
 C stroyed every vestige of the servile war, obtained a triumph (together with Metellus Pius), on account of his victories in Spain, and was chosen consul, with Crassus for his colleague. In this office he conciliated the favour of the people by restoring the tribunitial power, and abrogating the law of Sulla concerning the administration of justice. (See § 139, ad finem.) After his consulship he did not accept the command of a *province*, but remained at Rome till the chief command against the pirates was conferred upon him.

§ 142. *War against the Pirates.*

(75—67.)

589 Causes of their power in Cilicia and Isauria.—1. The oppression of the inhabitants of Asia Minor through the

avarice of the Roman governors, farmers of the revenue, (589) and usurers. 2. Neglect of maritime affairs by the Romans since the destruction of Carthage. During his three years' government in Asia, P. Servilius had wrested from them several towns on the southern coast of Asia Minor, subdued Isaura (hence his surname of Isauricus), and settled Cilicia as a Roman province (75). But these losses, so far from weakening the freebooters, merely served to augment the ferocity with which they carried on their system of robbery and murder. From Cilicia and Crete they swept the whole of the Mediterranean with more than 1000 vessels, landed on the coasts, especially of Italy, plundered the cities and country houses, carried off the inhabitants (Cæsar himself fell into their hands at sea), and intercepted the remittances of money and cargoes of grain. The famine which in consequence prevailed at Rome induced the people (on the motion of the tribune Gabinius) to confer on Cn. Pompeius for three years the uncontrolled command of the Mediterranean and its coasts (67). Pompey surprised the pirates, whom he chased from one haunt to another; and in two short campaigns (of forty and forty-nine days) cleared first the western and then the eastern Mediterranean almost without a battle, demolished their strongholds, and granted to those who surrendered cities and lands in Cilicia (Pompæopolis, anciently Soloë). Crete, one of the principal stations of the pirates, after a three years' war, surrendered to Q. Cæcilius Metellus (thence surnamed Creticus), and became a Roman province.

### § 143. *The two last Wars against Mithridates.*

The second War (83—81). As Mithridates, after the conclusion of peace, still continued his preparations, and refused to withdraw his forces entirely from Cappadocia, Murena, proprætor of Asia, established garrisons in that country, and made predatory excursions into the Pontic territory; but being overthrown at the river Halys, he was compelled to abandon Cappadocia.

The third War (74—64), began when Nicomêdês III., king of Bithynia, and brother-in-law of Mithridates, bequeathed his dominions to the Romans, who formed them into a new province. Mithridates now concluded an alliance with Sertorius, and sent a force into Bithynia, which

- (591) overthrew the consul Aurelius Cotta by water as well as  
 A by land near Chalcēdon, and laid siege to the city of  
 Cyzicum, on the island Cyzicus, which had remained faith-  
 ful to the Romans. The place was relieved by the other  
 consul L. Licinius Lucullus, who advanced in pursuit of  
 the king as far as Pontus, and after a succession of fresh  
 victories compelled him to fly for refuge to his son-in-law  
 Tigranes, king of Armenia. This monarch having refused  
 to deliver up his father-in-law, Lucullus crossed the  
 Euphrates and Tigris, and overthrew the army of Tigranes,  
 which was 20 (?) times as numerous as his own, near  
 Tigranocerta (69), and both the sovereigns at Artaxata  
 B (68). The refusal however of the soldiers (who were  
 seldom allowed to pillage) to advance any further into  
 those inhospitable regions, prevented him from profiting  
 by his victories, and Mithridates with little labour re-  
 conquered his dominions. Heavy charges being at the  
 same time brought against Lucullus by the Roman knights  
 in Asia, whose avarice he had endeavoured to repress, the  
 entire direction of the war against the two kings was com-  
 mitted by the people to Cn. Pompeius Magnus (who  
 had unexpectedly put an end to the piratical war and was  
 still in Asia) agreeably to the *lex Manilia*, which was  
 C supported by the eloquence of Cicero. After a battle by  
 night, in which he was defeated, Mithridates fled to  
 Colchis, and Tigranes, who had surrendered without  
 striking a blow, was allowed by Pompey to retain a por-  
 tion of his dominions as a barrier against the Parthians,  
 surrendering Syria, Phœnicia, the Lesser Armenia, and  
 parts of Cilicia, Galatia, and Cappadocia. After following  
 Mithridates as far as the river Phasis, Pompey gave up  
 the pursuit, and turned his arms against the nations on  
 the eastern coast of the Mediterranean and the Arabian  
 and Persian gulfs.
- D On his return he introduced the Roman provincial  
 administration into Pontus, marched into Syria, which he  
 proclaimed a Roman province, and in Palestine restored  
 the high priest Hyrcanus (who had been deposed by his  
 brother Aristobŭlus), and compelled the inhabitants to pay  
 tribute to the Roman government.

592 Having received intelligence that Mithridates had destroyed him-  
 self (at Panticapŭeum on the Tauric Chersonēsus) in a fit of despair,

occasioned by the treason of his son Pharnāces, Pompey re-entered (592) Pontus, and having confirmed Pharnaces in the sovereignty of Bosphorus, and re-arranged the constitution of the Asiatic provinces,<sup>A</sup> returned to Rome, where his second triumph, which lasted two days, was celebrated with unprecedented magnificence (61).

### § 144. *Catiline's Conspiracy.*

(66—62.)

A conspiracy to assassinate the consuls elect was set on 593 foot by L. Sergius Catilina (an accomplice of Sulla in his murderous proscription), who had been rejected as a candidate for the consulship on account of certain charges brought against him of extortion practised during his pro-prætorship in Africa. His project having miscarried through the indecision of the conspirators (young and ambitious Romans, and bad characters of every description), Catiline was brought to trial, and being acquitted, became a candidate for the consulship, which however was conferred (in 63) on M. Tullius Cicero<sup>1</sup> and C. Antonius (a friend of Catiline). In consequence of this dis-<sup>B</sup>appointment Catiline renewed his conspiracy, and endeavoured to increase the number of his adherents, in order to secure his election for the year 62. Cicero, to whom Catiline's intention of assassinating him during the election, and then seizing on the consulship, had been communicated by one of the conspirators (Curius), through the intervention of Fulvia, appeared at the comitia with such an escort, as rendered an attack impossible (Sılanus and Murena were chosen consuls for 62). All further attempts of the conspirators were rendered fruitless by the vigilance of Cicero, whose eloquent denunciations drove Catiline from the city. He then joined one of his fellow-<sup>C</sup>conspirators, Manlius, who had raised an army in Etruria. Both were immediately proscribed, and five of the conspirators at Rome (who had been discovered through their correspondence with the ambassadors of the Allobroges) were executed in prison (speeches of Cicero and Cato in opposition to Cæsar; Cicero pater patriæ). The army of

<sup>1</sup> Born at Arpinum in 106, fought under Sulla in the war of the confederates, travelled to Athens and Asia Minor. Quæstor in Sicily in 76, impeached Verres in 70, ædilis curulis in 69, prætor urbanus 66, declined the administration of a province as pro-prætor.

Etruria was routed by M. Petreius, lieutenant of C. Antonius, near Pistoria (62), where Catiline himself fell.

§ 145. *The First Triumvirate, 60.*

- 594 C. Julius Cæsar<sup>1</sup>, whose acute mind had long since  
 A discovered that the republic was in its dotage, resolved to overthrow the power of the nobility through the people and their idol Pompey, and then reign triumphantly over both parties.
- 595 This plan he followed out with unwearied perseverance, but with such moderation and prudence, that for a long time his object was not suspected. He became a supporter of all measures calculated to undermine the influence of the nobility (such as the restoration of the tribunitial power, and the partition of the judicial functions), attached himself to Pompey, as soon as that general abandoned the party of the senate, and endeavoured by every means in his power to render himself popular and the nobility odious. This systematic resistance to the dominant party subjected him to the suspicion of being concerned in Catiline's conspiracy, especially as he spoke against the infliction of capital punishment on the conspirators.
- 596 On his return to Rome, Pompey demanded the con-  
 B firmation of all the measures which he had adopted in Asia, and a distribution of lands among his veterans: but both these proposals were vehemently resisted in the senate. About the same time Cæsar returned from further Spain, which he had governed as proprætor, and notwithstanding the opposition of the Optimates, was chosen consul for the year 59, but with Bibulus, a violent aristocrat, for his colleague. A reconciliation having been effected between Pompey and Crassus, through the intervention of Cæsar, the three entered into a compact to oppose  
 C the aristocracy. This "union of talent with reputation and wealth, by means of which the one party hoped to rise, the other to retain, and the third to win," is called the first Triumvirate. Cæsar now, in defiance of all

<sup>1</sup> Born on the 12 Quintilis 100; as son-in-law of Cinna, an opponent of Sulla, by whom he was proscribed but afterwards pardoned. He served in Asia and was taken prisoner by the pirates; was quæstor in Spain, pontifex maximus in 63, prætor 62, proprætor in Lusitania in 61, after Crassus had become security for his debts (830 talents).



opposition from the senate, obtained from the people the (596) assignment of lands in Campania to 20,000 citizens, principally veterans of Pompey's army, gave his only daughter Julia in marriage to Pompey, and procured his own nomination to the proprætorship for five years of Cisalpine Gaul and Illyricum. This last usurpation of their rights by the people occasioned such alarm to the senate, that they resolved to anticipate further encroachments by assigning to Cæsar in addition the still more important province of Transalpine Gaul. Before he set out for his province, Cæsar contrived (by means of the tribune, P. Clodius) to withdraw from Rome the two leaders of the senate, M. Porcius Cato and Cicero. The former was sent to Cyprus, with a commission to reduce the island, without a show of justice, to the condition of a Roman province. Cicero, after an unsuccessful attempt to gain over Cæsar, was banished to Thessalonica (58), in consequence of a charge brought against him by Clodius of having occasioned the execution of Catiline's conspirators. From this exile, however, he was recalled at the end of sixteen months (on the motion of the tribune, T. Annius Milo), to support Pompey and the senate against Clodius.

In the year 56 the triumviri held a meeting in Cæsar's winter quarters at Luca, at which it was agreed that Pompey and Crassus should be the consuls of the following year, and be appointed to provinces and the command of armies, Cæsar not only consenting to such an arrangement, but pledging himself to use all his influence with the people that it might be carried into effect. In return for these concessions, Cæsar's colleagues insured him the prolongation of his government for five years; and Pompey, who anticipated important advantages from his own residence at Rome, continued to supply him with fresh legions.

### § 146. *Cæsar's War in Gaul.*

(58—51.)

The object of Cæsar in carrying on the Gallic war, was (598) not merely the extension of the Roman dominions, but the more important advantage of keeping together a body of veterans, attached to his person, and ready at all times to render him unconditional obedience. With this view he formed a regular standing army.

- 599 Gaul, like Spain, was peopled by a multitude of small clans, which, instead of uniting against Rome, continued to prosecute their own petty feuds. This circumstance, joined to their superiority in the art of war, rendered the struggle comparatively easy for the Romans; but at the same time prolonged the war, which, instead of being terminated, as in the east, by one or two decisive engagements, could only be decided by the subjugation of the tribes *one after another and by means of each other*, and by the suppression of repeated insurrections.
- 600 In the year 58 the Helvetii, who had migrated from eastern Gaul in search of a better settlement, threatened the Roman province and plundered the territories of the Ædui. These applied for assistance to Cæsar, who overthrew the Helvetians, cutting some to pieces and driving the rest back into their own country. At an earlier period the Arverni in a war with the Ædui had taken into their pay a German army commanded by Ariovistus. The Æduans applied to Cæsar for protection; and the Germans, after sustaining a defeat at Vesontio (Besançon), were compelled to recross the Rhine.
- c In 57 the Belgians, who had the reputation of being the bravest nation between the Rhine and the Pyrenees, prepared to resist the advance of the Romans, by a *levée en masse* of 300,000 men. This force was separated by Cæsar, who pursued the different divisions and overcame them in detail. The most obstinate combat was with the warlike Nervii (between the Schelde and Sambre), and their neighbours; but even here the superiority of their discipline insured victory to the Romans.
- 601 In the year 56 the Venēti on the north-western coast were vanquished by a sudden attack (by Decimus Brutus), their chief men executed, and the rest sold as slaves, whilst the Aquitani, in south-western Gaul, were subjugated by the younger Crassus (son of the triumvir). Thus the conquest of Gaul was accomplished, with the exception of a few tribes on the Belgic coast and at the foot of the Pyrenees.
- 602 In 55 the Usipētes and Tenchtēri, who had been driven by the Suevi across the Lower Rhine into Belgium, were compelled to return by Cæsar, who now, in order to find employment for his legions, not only crossed the Rhine into the territory of the Sicambri, but even visited Britain, without however making any conquest in either of those countries. His second expedition to Britain (in 54),

with 800 ships, and a second campaign in Germany (in 53), had no better results.

In the years 54—51 the Gauls, who, in addition to the 603 loss of their freedom, were grievously oppressed by taxation, the winter quartering of troops, and pillage of their estates, made repeated attempts to throw off the Roman yoke. A combined insurrection of the Trevēri and Eburōnes, under the crafty Ambiōrix, having failed, the whole nation of the Gauls rose as one man, under the command of Vercingetōrix (an Arvernian), by whom the war was carried on with great circumspection and patience. Their leader being besieged by Cæsar in the fortress of Alesia, the united army of the Gauls (about 250,000 strong) appeared before the place, but were utterly defeated; whereupon Vercingetōrix surrendered to the Romans. A few Gallic tribes still resisted, but were overcome in the year 51. As the conclusion of his five years' government drew near, Cæsar, by means of gentle treatment, conferring honours on their chiefs, and maintaining their laws and constitutions, succeeded in tranquillizing the Gauls, and thus securing his conquest.

### § 147. *The Civil War between Cæsar and Pompey.*

(49—48.)

Pompey and Crassus had been a second time elected to 604 the consulship (55), and obtained the provinces which they desired, viz. Crassus Syria, where he was slain in a campaign against the Parthians, and Pompey the two Spains, the government of which he entrusted to a lieutenant, and remained at Rome in the expectation that the disturbed times would require his appointment to the dictatorship. With this object in view, he caused the election of consuls for the year 52 to be deferred, under the pretext that the auspices were unfavourable, and by fostering intestine disturbances (assassination of Clodius by Milo), succeeded in obtaining his own appointment to the consulship (without a colleague), for the purpose of suppressing them. The Optimates were so besotted as to suppose that it would be possible to disarm Cæsar by an act of the senate, or at all events by means of Pompey's army.

605 Their first step was to withdraw from him two legions under pre-  
tence of their being required for the Parthian war; but they were  
A still retained in Italy under the command of his rival. Then he was  
required, before the expiration of his second five years, to resign his  
command and retire from the provinces. Cæsar having offered to  
do this, if Pompey would follow his example, the senate pronounced  
him contumacious, and notwithstanding the veto of two tribunes,  
resolved to proscribe him as an enemy of the republic, unless he  
consented to resign the command of his army, which consisted of  
eleven legions.

606 Irritated by these and similar insults, Cæsar determined  
B to cross the Rubicon (the boundary of his Cisalpine pro-  
vince), before the forces of Pompey could be brought into  
the field. Pompey, accompanied by the two consuls and  
a majority of the senate, fled to Brundisium, and being  
closely pursued by Cæsar, crossed over into Greece.  
Meanwhile Cæsar, who within two months had become  
almost without opposition master of Italy, Sicily, and  
Sardinia, employed the time which must elapse before a  
fleet could be built for the transport of his troops to  
Greece, in visiting Spain, where the lieutenants of Pompey  
C submitted without a battle. Returning to Rome, he was  
appointed dictator by a senate composed of his own  
friends, and having laid down this dignity at the end of  
eleven days, was a second time chosen consul; whilst on  
the other hand the senators who had fled with Pompey  
re-elected the officers of the past year.

During these proceedings, Cæsar's lieutenant, Curio, had subdued  
Sicily, but lost his life in an engagement with Juba, king of Numidia,  
who supported the party of Pompey, because Curio, as tribune, had  
proposed the annexation of Numidia to the Roman dominions.

607 In the beginning of the year 48, Cæsar landed in southern  
D Illyria, and cut Pompey off from Dyrrachium, his chief  
arsenal, but was repulsed in the first encounter. Instead,  
however, of pursuing and cutting to pieces the scattered  
forces of his enemy, Pompey persisted in his plan of  
starving him into surrender; until at length, on the ninth  
of August, 48, Cæsar, by a feigned flight, brought on the  
decisive battle of Pharsälus, in which his admirable  
tactics gained him a complete victory over the Optimates,  
whose army consisted of 52,000 men, whilst his own num-  
bered only 23,000. By the advice of one of his favorites,

Pompey sought an asylum at the court of Ptolemæus (607) Dionysus, king of Egypt, whose father had been indebted <sup>A</sup> to him for the restoration of his crown; but the intrigues of the Egyptian courtiers soon occasioned his assassination. A few days after his death Cæsar appeared before Alexandria, and bewailed the fate of his son-in-law.

When Cæsar quitted Greece, in pursuit of Pompey, he had de- 608  
spatched M. Antonius with a portion of his army into Italy, to secure that country, and obtain for his patron the sovereign power, under a title recognized by the constitution. So well did Antony discharge the duty entrusted to him, that Cæsar was not only elected dictator for a year, but also invested with the tribunitial authority for life, and the power of making war and concluding peace, and of nominating the provincial governors.

### § 148. *Cæsar's Wars in the East.*

(48—47.)

#### 1. The Alexandrian War, 48 and 47.

On his arrival in Egypt, Cæsar found the country dis- 609  
tracted by disputes between Ptolemæus Dionysus and his sister Cleopatra, who were required by their father's will to marry one another, and reign conjointly. Cleopatra, being expelled by her brother, applied for aid to Cæsar, who was so captivated by her charms that he at once proposed to act as arbitrator. A general insurrection in Alexandria was the consequence of this interference. Cæsar intrenched himself in Bruchium (the quarter adjoining the port), burnt the Egyptian fleet in harbour (destruction of the largest of the three Alexandrian libraries), with the aid of a reinforcement from Asia overthrew Ptolemy (who was drowned in the Nile in attempting to escape), and placed the crown on the heads of Cleopatra and her younger brother.

#### 2. The War against Pharnāces, 47.

Pharnāces, the son of Mithridates, availed himself of the 610  
disruption of the Roman republic to extend the limits of his little empire on the Cimmerian Bosphorus. He had already occupied the lesser Armenia and Cappadocia (countries which at an earlier period had been governed by the Romans), overthrown Cæsar's lieutenant, Domitius Calvinus (whose defeat enabled him to take possession of the whole northern coast of Asia Minor), and was on the

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- (610) point of returning to quell an insurrection of his lieutenant  
 A on the Bosphorus, when he was overtaken by Cæsar, who  
 after a campaign of only five days (hence “veni, vidi,  
 vici”) compelled him to retreat in disorder to the Bos-  
 porus, where he was defeated and slain by his lieutenant.

§ 149. *Cæsar's last Wars against the Partisans of Pompey.*

(46—45.)

611 1. The War in Africa, 46.

B Towards the end of the year 47, Cæsar landed in Africa, where Pompey's son Sextus, his father-in-law Metellus Scipio, Cato, Petreius, and other Optimates, had assembled after the death of their leader, and formed a league with Juba, king of Numidia. Cæsar overthrew the united army of the republicans and Numidians at Thapsus (where the allies lost 50,000 men and Cæsar only fifty), took Utica, the chief residence of the Optimates, and made Numidia a Roman province. Cato died by his own hand; and his example was followed by Juba, Scipio, and Petreius: the rest (S. Pompeius, Labienus, &c.) escaped into Spain, and joined Cn. Pompeius.

- 612 After the conclusion of the African war, new and unprecedented  
 C honours were heaped on Cæsar. A solemn thanksgiving was ordered for forty days, and a statue erected of the conqueror, who was invested with the dictatorship for ten years, and the censorship, without colleagues, for three, with the modest title of *præfectus moribus*. Triumphs were celebrated on three several days for his victories in Gaul, Egypt, Pontus, and Africa: the people were feasted at 22,000 triclinia, presented with doles of money, corn, and oil, and gratified with public spectacles; whilst the soldiers were rewarded with grants of money and land. Cæsar then took measures for the restoration of order, by means of sumptuary laws and enactments, against violence and treason; limited the duration of provincial governments, and increased the number of the senators. As pontifex maximus, he undertook a reformation of the calendar, in which he was assisted by the Alexandrian mathematician Sosigenes (see § 4). Great offence was caused by the arrival of Cleopatra at Rome, and by her haughty behaviour.

613 2. The war against the sons of Pompey in  
 D Spain, 45.

The last campaign of Cæsar was against the sons of Pompey (Cnæus and Sextus), who, after the battle of Thapsus, had collected a considerable force in Spain. By

the most extraordinary exertions, he was enabled to win (613) the battle of Munda in Bætica, where 33,000 of A Pompey's adherents were slain. Cn. Pompey, who attempted to fly, was betrayed into the hands of the conqueror and put to death: Sextus escaped into north-eastern Spain. On his return to Rome, Cæsar celebrated his fifth triumph, and was honoured with a festival of thanksgiving, which lasted fifty days.

### § 150. *Death of Cæsar.*

The senate, dazzled by the brilliancy of Cæsar's exploits, 614 and eagerly flattering him from motives of fear or self-<sup>B</sup> interest, outstripped the dictator himself in the revolutionary race. In addition to the other honours, some of them almost divine, which were heaped upon him, they voted him the dictatorship, the præfectura morum, and title of Imperator for life, invested him with the consulship for ten years, gave him the entire control over the army and the exchequer, named him father of his country, altered the title of the month in which he was born from Quintilis to Julius, and proclaimed their recognition of his supremacy by granting him authority to coin money with his own effigy. During the last months of his life, the giant mind <sup>C</sup> of Julius Cæsar was occupied with plans for erecting public buildings, framing a code of laws, and establishing public libraries; and, more than all, with preparations for an invasion of Parthia to avenge the fall of Crassus. His intention was first to subdue the Dacians on the banks of the Danube, and the Getæ; and then marching onwards into Asia, and conquering the Parthians, to traverse the countries on the Caspian and Black seas, and return to Rome through Germany and Gaul; thus extending his dominions on all sides, as men believed, to the very shores of the ocean. No important steps had, however, yet been <sup>D</sup> taken for the permanent organization of this absolute power. His friends had made several ineffectual attempts to present him publicly with a diadem, which he was compelled on each occasion to refuse, because the offer was unconfirmed by the people. At length, they discovered in the Sibylline books (which had been burnt in Sulla's time, and replaced in part by forged documents) a prophecy to

- (614) this effect—"that Parthia could only be subdued by the  
 A Romans under a KING"—and immediately demanded that their leader should be invested with sovereign authority beyond the limits of Italy. Meanwhile a conspiracy to assassinate Cæsar was organized by sixty Optimates, partly adherents of Pompey, and partly disappointed followers of the Dictator; with the prætors C. Cassius and M. Brutus at their head. At a meeting of the senate (in the curia of Pompey), on the 15th of March, 44, Cæsar received twenty-three dagger wounds, and fell lifeless at the base of Pompey's statue.

§ 151. *Consequences of Cæsar's Assassination.*

- 615 The murderers, having perpetrated their bloody deed,  
 B were content to leave all further proceedings to the senate, who endeavoured to conciliate both parties by confirming the laws and ordinances of Cæsar (on the motion of the Consul, Marcus Antonius [Mark Antony]), and at the same time passing an act of indemnity for his assassination. Antony alone refused to sanction this amnesty, and delivered over the body of Cæsar a funeral oration, which excited the people to fury, and drove the assassins from the city into the provinces assigned them by Cæsar; Decimus Brutus into Gallia Cisalpina, M. Brutus into  
 C Macedonia, C. Cassius into Syria. No sooner were they departed, than Antony, who had obtained possession of the late dictator's papers immediately after his death, contrived by the most unscrupulous falsification of his ordinances to dispose, as he thought fit, of offices, provinces, estates, privileges, and civil rights. These proceedings were soon resisted by Octavianus, a youth of nineteen, great nephew and adopted son of Julius Cæsar, who availed himself at first of the assistance of the aristocracy, then annihilated them by the aid of Antony, and finally destroyed Antony himself.
- D Desiring, like Cæsar, to have an army and a province in the neighbourhood of Rome, Antony persuaded the people to pass a resolution, calling on D. Brutus to exchange Gaul for Macedonia. The refusal of Brutus to recognize this decree, unsanctioned as it was by the senate, occasioned
- 616 The civil war of Mutina, 44—43, between M.



Antony and D. Brutus. Antony blockaded his adversary (616) in Mutina [now, *Modena*], and was denounced by the senate <sup>A</sup> (on the motion of Cicero; his Philippic orations) as an enemy of the republic. The two consuls of the year 43, Pansa and Hirtius, then marched to the assistance of Brutus, accompanied by Octavian (as proprætor); Pansa fell in the first engagement, and Hirtius in the battle of Mutina, where Antony was defeated. Octavian now took the command, as the only surviving general; but finding himself at present too weak to encounter both Antony and the conspirators, he determined, in the first place, to destroy the murderers of Cæsar, and in order to effect this, abandoned his pursuit of Antony, who escaped into Gaul. This change of plan was the more easy, as the senate had entrusted the duty not to himself, but to Brutus.

### § 152. *The Second Triumvirate.*

Octavian, on his return to Rome, obtained the consul- 617 ship by means of his troops, and persuaded the people to <sup>B</sup> institute proceedings against the murderers of Cæsar, notwithstanding the amnesty. Then he marched nominally against Antony (with whom he had already entered into negotiations through M. Lepidus, proprætor of Gaul), compelled the senate to recal its decree against him, and *established a union* on an island near Bononia [now, *Bologna*] (in the *Lavinium*?), *with Lepidus and Antony, for the administration of the government during a period of five years, and the annihilation of the party of Brutus and Cassius.* This was called the second triumvirate. The people, on their part, were required to confirm the triumviri in their office for five years.

Before, however, they commenced the war against the 618 assassins of Cæsar, it was desirable to remove the most <sup>C</sup> influential of their enemies at Rome, lest, during their absence, S. Pompeius, who still maintained his position in Sicily, should be invited to return. With this view they revived the proscription, and, under pretence of avenging the murder of Cæsar and restoring peace to the state, denounced more than 100 senators and 2000 knights, the confiscation of whose estates would supply funds for a fresh war. Among these victims was Cicero. Antony

(618) and Octavian now marched into Macedonia and took the  
 A field against Brutus and Cassius. Two battles were fought  
 at Philippi. In the first, Brutus routed the army of  
 Octavian, and Antony that of Cassius, who compelled one  
 of his slaves to put him to death; in the second, Brutus  
 also was defeated by Antony, and fell on his own sword.

After the battle the victors separated; Antony under-  
 taking to raise the money promised to the troops in the  
 countries which they had wrested from the murderers of  
 Cæsar, whilst Octavian returned to Italy for the purpose  
 B of allotting lands to his veteran soldiers. Cleopatra had  
 been summoned to Tarsus by Antony, to answer for her  
 conduct in supporting Cassius, but the charms of the  
 Egyptian queen so captivated the conqueror, that he fol-  
 lowed her into Egypt. Meanwhile, the attempts of his  
 wife, Fulvia, to compel his return by stirring up insurrec-  
 tions at home occasioned the

619 Perusian civil war, 41—40.

Octavian had experienced considerable difficulty in arranging the  
 distribution of lands among his veterans, the original proprietors  
 requiring indemnification, and the soldiers themselves being dis-  
 satisfied with their allotments. At the instigation of Fulvia, L. An-  
 tonius, brother of the triumvir, came forward as the champion of  
 these discontented spirits, but was compelled to surrender (at  
 Perusia), at the beginning of the next year (41).

620 M. Antony had returned to Italy, and was in the act of  
 C negotiating an alliance against Octavian with S. Pompeius,  
 who had subdued Sicily, Sardinia, and Corsica, when the  
 death of Fulvia smoothed the way for a reconciliation.  
 The triumviri having met at Brundisium, a final division of  
 the empire was arranged, Octavian receiving the western  
 provinces, Antony the eastern, and Lepidus Africa. To  
 cement their friendship, Antony married Octavia, the sister  
 of Octavian. The blockade of Italy by S. Pompeius  
 having occasioned a famine in the city, the triumviri con-  
 cluded an armistice (at Misenum), by which the province of  
 Achaia and the consulate were guaranteed to him, together  
 with an indemnification for the loss of his property, Pompey,  
 on his part, pledging himself to supply Italy with grain.  
 D The imperfect fulfilment of these conditions by both parties  
 occasioned

621 A renewal of the war between Octavian and S.  
 Pompeius. The war was carried on at first with indif-

ferent success by Octavian, who received very little assistance from his colleagues. A considerable naval force <sup>A</sup> having however been assembled by M. Vipsanius Agrippa, and reinforced by a squadron from the fleet of Antony, a battle was fought off Mylæ, in which Pompey was defeated. He fled to Asia Minor, and was assassinated at Miletus. Lepidus had also landed in Sicily, and claimed the sovereignty of the island; but his troops being gained over by Octavian, he was compelled to resign his provinces and the office of triumvir, and retired to Circeii (where he lived as pontifex maximus until B.C. 13). Having thus set aside two of his rivals, Octavian prepared for a decisive struggle with the third.

### § 153. *Foreign Wars of Antony and Octavian.*

War of Antony with the Parthians. In the year 622 39 the Parthians, who, in the preceding year, had overrun <sup>B</sup> Syria, Palestine, Phœnicia, and Asia Minor, were driven across the Euphrates by Ventidius, the lieutenant of Antony. A considerable portion of the Roman possessions in Asia (Phœnicia, Cœlesyria, and parts of Cilicia and Judæa), was presented to Cleopatra by Antony, who had entered Asia for the purpose of putting an end to the war, and now (in 36) undertook an expedition against the Parthians, in conjunction with Artavasdes, king of Armenia. In a very short space of time he had penetrated, by forced marches, as far as Media; but the constant alternation of flight and attack, with which he was harassed by the enemy, the scarcity of provisions, the advanced season of the year, and the defection of the Armenians, compelled him to retreat. At a later period (in 34) the <sup>C</sup> faithless king of Armenia was taken prisoner, and conveyed in triumph to Alexandria. The Roman provinces in Asia were presented by Antony to Cleopatra, her children, and Cæsarion (whom the triumvir declared to be the legitimate son of Cæsar, in order to invalidate the claims of Octavian), and soon afterwards (32) letters of divorce were forwarded to his wife Octavia.

#### Wars of Octavian.

623

In order to find employment for his legions, and replenish his military chest, Octavian undertook several

- (623) expeditions against the imperfectly reduced tribes among  
 A the Julian Alps and on the shores of Illyria. The Iapydæ,  
 Pannonians, and Dalmatians were now subjected to the  
 authority of Rome.

§ 154. *The War between Octavian and Antony.*

(31 and 30.)

- 624 The term of the triumviral league, which, although twice  
 B confirmed for five years by the people, had for a long time  
 been little more than a name, expired at the end of the  
 year 33. War was declared by the senate against Cleopatra, who now exercised unbounded influence over Antony, and hoped, through him, to become mistress of the Roman empire. The immediate cause of hostilities was a demand on the part of the Egyptian queen, that the extravagant grant of Antony should be confirmed by the senate.
- 625 Antony, instead of crushing his enemies (as he might easily have  
 C done in their unprepared condition), by a sudden descent on the shores of Italy, wasted his time in dalliance with Cleopatra; and on the appearance of Octavian in the Ionian sea, with a fleet under the command of Agrippa, determined, in obedience to the will of his mistress, to risk a naval engagement.
- 626 On the 2nd of September, 31, a brilliant victory was  
 gained by M. Agrippa off the promontory of Actium. Cleopatra and Antony fled, before the fortune of the day was decided, and sought refuge in Egypt; their fleet was burnt, and the land forces surrendered to the victor. Octavian proceeded into Syria, and thence invaded Egypt, where he urged Cleopatra to rid him of his adversary. Egypt became a Roman province.
- D Antony, who had been abandoned by his fleet and cavalry, was now informed, by command of Cleopatra herself, that she had committed suicide; and fell on his own sword. Finding her efforts to captivate Octavian utterly fruitless, and having learnt that she was destined to adorn his triumph, Cleopatra also destroyed herself (probably by taking poison), and was buried by the side of Antony.

## THIRD PERIOD.

## C. Rome under Emperors.

(B. C. 30.—A. D. 476.)

§ 155. C. *Julius Cæsar Octavianus Augustus.*

(B. C. 30.—A. D. 14.)

In the month of Sextilis (named from him Augustus), 627 B. C. 39, Octavian returned to Rome, where he distributed <sup>A</sup> largesses among the citizens, and celebrated a triple triumph for his victories in Dalmatia (and the neighbouring countries), at Actium and in Egypt. The temple of Janus was now closed for the third time. Perceiving the impossibility of establishing his authority on a permanent footing by acts of violence, Octavian determined to obtain from the senate, as free concessions (at least in appearance), the recognition of those privileges which he had already virtually conferred on himself. With this view he persuaded <sup>B</sup> them to invest him with all the highest offices of state, and, at a later period, to commit to him the legislative authority and emancipate him from the control of the laws. At the same time most of the magistracies were retained in name, but were entirely dependent on the will of the emperor; a form of constitution which lasted for more than 300 years. The title of Augustus, conferred on him in the year 27, was also borne by his successors.

The constitution under the emperors to the reign of 628 Diocletian.

1. The imperial prerogative comprehended the levy of the <sup>C</sup> army, the imposition of taxes (the right of deciding questions of war and peace), the command-in-chief of all the legions, and the power of life and death. The princeps exercised, at the same time, the censorial and tribunitian authority, was pontifex maximus and a member of the other sacerdotal colleges, and his edicts and ordinances had the force of laws and decrees of the senate. The election of his successor was, it is true, pronounced by a decree of the senate and a resolution of the curiæ (lex regia), but for the first two centuries the choice regularly fell on the person whom his predecessor thought fit to indicate by adopting him as his son, or by conferring on him the title of Cæsar, or admitting him, as his colleague, to a share in the government.

2. The senate was limited by Octavian [Augustus] to 600 mem- 629  
bers, all of whom were devoted to his person. At a later period Italians and other provincials as well as Romans, were nominated by the

(629) princeps, provided they possessed a census of 1,200,000 sesterces and were twenty-five years of age. Instead of the senate, the advisers of the Emperor were generally the members of his privy council (concilium, or consistorium principis). From the time of Tiberius the people ceased to have any share in legislation, their decisions being superseded by senatus consulta and edicts of the emperors, which latter soon became the chief sources of law.

### 630 3. The magistracies.

a. *The ancient magistrates.*—The Consuls were generally elected every two months, and retained merely the privilege of presiding in the senate, and a share in the jurisdiction; the Prætors, Ædiles, and Tribunes, continued to exercise their functions with certain alterations; the Censors (of whom the Princeps was always one), were suppressed in the second century; the Quæstors (from the time of Claudius), were charged also with the superintendence of the gladiatorial combats.

B b. *New officers, a.*—The Præfectus urbi, who was intrusted with authority sufficient for the preservation of public order, and with the jurisdiction in criminal cases (at first in conjunction with the quæstiones). β. The Præfecti prætorio, originally only the commandants of the body-guard (of ten prætorian cohorts), raised by Octavian, but employed, soon after the institution of the office, in the administration of justice and other duties. γ. The Præfectus annonæ, who superintended the supply of corn.

The Emperor always exercised considerable influence over these appointments, which after the third century were entirely in his own hands.

631 4. Rome and Italy.—After the admission of all Italians to the rights of citizenship, Rome, instead of being itself the state, became merely the capital of a more extended empire. Octavian divided the city (which had been considerably embellished by his exertions) into fourteen, and Italy, as far as the Alps, into eleven regiones. The other cities were distinguished by the titles of municipia, coloniae, and præfecturæ, but their internal constitution was the same in all essential particulars. The population of these cities was presided over by magistrates elected annually, and by a senate or ordo decurionum.

632 5. The provinces were divided by Octavian into—*a. provincie principis*, the more important provinces, which were always occupied by a considerable military force, and regarded the emperor himself as their governor. Consequently the administration was always committed to imperial lieutenants with prætorian authority (termed, D at a later period, præsides and correctores). *b. Provincie senatus*, comprehending all the others, which required only a small force, and were administered by proconsuls with the assistance of lieutenants and quæstors.

633 6. Taxation.—In addition to the public exchequer, Octavian established from taxes, and other sources, a *military ararium*, for the remuneration and maintenance of his soldiers; and a *fiscus*, or privy purse.

For the protection of the frontiers, standing armies were quartered in castra stativa on the Rhine, the Danube, and the Euphrates.

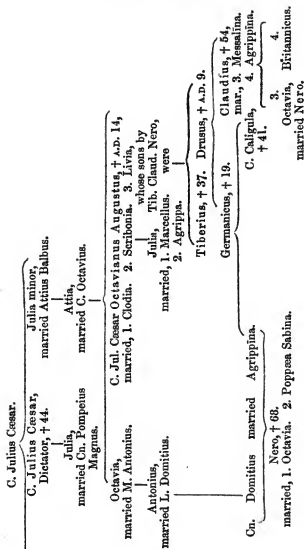
## The wars of Augustus.

634

The object of these wars was not so much the acquisition of fresh territory as the security of that which Rome already possessed. Thus, for the purpose of tranquilizing Spain, the hitherto unconquered Cantabrians and Asturians were completely subjugated by Agrippa (19). The eastern frontier of the empire was secured by a campaign against the Parthians, whose king (Phraātes) no sooner heard of the arrival of Augustus in Syria (20), than he restored the standards and prisoners captured from the army of Crassus. To protect Italy and Gaul against the invasions of the Germanic tribes, Drusus and Tiberius, step-sons of Augustus, first subdued the Alpine clans in Rhætia, Vindelicia, and Noricum, as far as the Danube (15). Then expeditions were undertaken, by Drusus, and after his death by Tiberius, from Gaul into the interior of Germany (comp. B. ii. § 3). Although the people of Lower Germany were rather won by fair promises and alliances than subdued by the sword, the Romans nevertheless treated the whole country from the Rhine to the Elbe as their province, built fortresses, and introduced the Roman language, laws, and system of taxation. The oppressive administration of the governor L. Quinctilius Varus at length occasioned an insurrection of the tribes of Lower Germany (Cherusci, Bructères, and Marsi), under Herman or Arminius, the son of a prince of the Cherusci. Varus, misled by a false report of the revolt of some remote German tribe (the Amsivarii [*al.* Ampsivarii], or Sigambri?), allowed himself to be drawn into the trackless waste of the Teutoburgian forest, where he was attacked by Herman, and three of the best Roman legions were cut to pieces, A.D. 9.

For the golden age of arts and sciences (under Augustus), see § 165.

The remaining days of Augustus were rendered miserable by the excesses of his daughter, Julia, and his granddaughter, and by the unscrupulous perseverance with which his third wife, Livia, laboured to secure the succession for her son, Tiberius, whom Augustus was at last persuaded to adopt and nominate as co-regent. The emperor died at Nola in the seventy-sixth year of his age.





§ 156. *Four Emperors of the House of Livia.*

(14—68.)

1. Tiberius, 14—37, the chief traits in whose character 636 were envy, dissimulation, and cruelty<sup>1</sup>, had been persuaded A by his mother Livia, to adopt his nephew Germanicus, whom he was now eagerly striving to set aside. With this intention he recalled him from Germany, (where he had made three campaigns (especially against the Chatti and Cherusci), and overthrown Arminius (at Idistavicus), and was in the very act of wiping out by fresh victories the disgrace which the Roman arms had sustained in that country,) and sent him into the east, where he reduced Cappadocia and Commagene to the condition of Roman provinces, and soon afterwards died of poison. For the B security of his person, Tiberius assembled the guards, who were scattered throughout Italy, and quartered them in a camp near Rome. Their commander Sejanus was also allowed to exercise considerable influence over the government, which had now assumed an entirely despotic character. The anxiety of Tiberius was so effectually fostered by Sejanus, that after a little time he quitted the Capitol, and retired to the luxurious island of Capreae, leaving Sejanus as his lieutenant at Rome. After nine C years of tyranny at Rome and throughout Italy, Sejanus fell a victim to his own ambitious project of raising himself to the imperial throne. Tiberius, in the seventy-seventh year of his age, was smothered with pillows, near Misenum.

2. His successor, C. Caligula, in the very first year of 637 his reign squandered the enormous treasure of Tiberius in public entertainments, magnificent spectacles of every description, useless buildings, &c. A severe illness gradually deprived him of his understanding, and after a reign of four years, rendered infamous by the most atrocious cruelties, he was hurled from his throne by a conspiracy. The D senate now wished to re-establish the republic; but this proposal was resisted by the guards, who raised to the throne the weak-minded uncle of the murdered emperor.

<sup>1</sup> [He possessed, however, "a strong intellect, great wit, unwearied industry, a body of the happiest organization, and a beautiful and majestic figure."—Niebuhr.]

638 3. Claudius, 41—54, who resigned the reins of  
 A government into the hands of his profligate wives Messalina and Agrippina, and a gang of abandoned freedmen, among whom Polybius, Narcissus, and Pallus were the most conspicuous. In this reign began the Roman conquests in Britain, to which country Claudius himself undertook an expedition; Mauretania, Lycia, and Thrace became Roman provinces, and Judæa (after the death of Herod Agrippa) was again ruled by Roman governors.

After the execution of Messalina, Claudius married his niece Agrippina, who at once persuaded him to adopt her son (Nero) in the place of his own (Britannicus). Then she poisoned her husband, in the hope of exercising more uncontrolled power in the name of her son.

639 4. Nero, 54—68, reigned at first with wisdom and  
 B moderation, under the direction of his præfectus prætorio Burrus, and the philosopher Seneca, both of whom opposed the ambitious designs of Agrippina. The murder of his step-brother (Britannicus) was however deemed necessary for his security, and was speedily followed by that of his mother, and the execution of his wife Octavia at the instigation of his mistress Poppæa Sabina. After the perpetration of these acts of cruelty, and the death of Burrus, Nero gave the reins to his naturally capricious and ferocious disposition, appeared in public, both in Italy and Greece, as a charioteer and stage-player, and incurred the suspicion of having occasioned the great conflagration at Rome, by which fourteen regions of the city were destroyed, only  
 C three remaining uninjured. The blame of this atrocity was thrown by Nero on the Christians, whom he persecuted with unrelenting severity. When the city was rebuilt, Nero erected a palace called his golden house, which occupied the whole of the Palatine hill, and a considerable space beyond. Repeated conspiracies furnished a pretence for a great number of executions; but the excesses and cruelties of Nero having at length occasioned a general insurrection throughout the empire, Sulpicius Galba, governor of Hither Spain, a veteran of seventy-three years of age, was proclaimed emperor by his legions. On receiving intelligence of this revolution, Nero fled from Rome, and caused himself to be put to death by one of his freedmen.

§ 157. *Three Emperors proclaimed by the Legions.*

(68, 69.)

Sulpicius Galba (June, 68—Jan. 69), on his arrival <sup>640</sup> at Rome, rendered himself odious by the cruelty of his <sup>A</sup> punishments (some of which were however necessary), his avarice, and the partiality which he displayed towards his favorites. He was put to death by a conspiracy headed by

Otho (Jan.—April, 69), a former favourite of Nero's, <sup>641</sup> who had purchased the adherence of the guards. The <sup>B</sup> legions on the Rhine had, however, already chosen (at Cologne), their own commander Vitellius, who was speedily recognized by the entire western portion of the empire. His generals entered Italy, and defeated the army of Otho, who died by his own hand.

Vitellius (April—December, 69) returned to Rome, <sup>642</sup> where he expended enormous sums on the luxuries of the table. The legions employed against the Jews in Palestine having proclaimed their commander Vespasian, almost the whole army and all the provinces abandoned Vitellius, who was murdered before the arrival of Vespasian at Rome.

§ 158. *The Three Flavii.*

Vespasianus (69—79) endeavoured, by every means <sup>643</sup> in his power, to repair the injuries inflicted on the empire <sup>C</sup> by his tyrannical predecessors. He restored discipline in the army, and order in the finances; completed the rebuilding of the city; reinstated the senate in its ancient privileges, after he had improved its character by increasing the number of members, and removing those who were unworthy of the office; countenanced every useful undertaking, patronised the arts and sciences, and supported at his own expense professors of eloquence. He himself afforded an <sup>D</sup> example of severe morality, and practised a frugality which sometimes degenerated into parsimony. *Wars.*—1. He committed to his son Titus the task of crushing a revolt of the Jews which had broken out in the reign of Nero, and which was terminated by the storming of Jerusalem, A.D. 70 (see § 81, 6). 2. An insurrection of the

- (643) Batāvi, who were soon joined by other German and Gallic  
 A tribes, was suppressed by Vespasian's general, after a  
 bloody engagement near [Augusta Treverorum] Trèves.  
 3. The war in Britain was commenced afresh by  
 Agricōla, whose mild and just administration reconciled  
 the Britons to the Roman yoke. His eldest son
- 644 Titus (79—81), surnamed amor et deliciæ generis  
 humani, on account of his distinguished qualities, was the  
 wisest and noblest of all the Roman emperors. During  
 his short reign occurred the unexpected and terrible  
 eruption of Mount Vesuvius (which destroyed the cities  
 of Herculaneum, Pompeii, and Stabiæ), a conflagration  
 which lasted three days, and the pestilence at Rome. His  
 younger brother
- 645 Domitian (81—96) commenced his reign auspiciously,  
 B but soon brought back the abuses of Nero's time. With a  
 vanity utterly ridiculous in one whose chief amusement was  
 the slaughter of flies, he assumed the titles of "Lord" and  
 "God;" combining with this childish folly a disposition  
 to extravagance, which led him to commit acts of gross  
 oppression and cruelty. Agricola had already reduced  
 England and Scotland, as far north as Edinburgh, to the  
 condition of a Roman province, when the suspicious jea-  
 C lousy of Domitian occasioned his recal. The tyrant him-  
 self undertook an expedition into Germany, during which  
 he probably made Swabia a province of Rome, and carried  
 on an unsuccessful war against the Dacians, whose tur-  
 bulence he appeased by the promise of an annual tribute;  
 and then celebrated his triumph as if a victory had been  
 gained. Domitian was murdered at the instigation of his  
 wife, (whom he had destined to the same fate,) and his  
 name erased from the records of the Roman Empire.

§ 159. *The most flourishing period of the Empire.*

(96—180.)

- 646 (M. Cocceius) Nerva (96—98), an aged senator, was  
 D called to the imperial throne after the assassination of  
 Domitian. His parsimony occasioned discontent among  
 the people, and disgusted the Prætorians, whose vengeance  
 he avoided by adopting their favorite general Ulpus  
 Trajanus.

Trajanus [Trajan] (98—117), a Spaniard (the first 647 foreign emperor), whilst he exhibited the most commendable anxiety for the improvement of every branch of the administration, more especially directed his attention to the aggrandizement of the empire. The Dacians, on his refusal to continue the tribute granted to them by Domitian, resumed their predatory incursions, and were *finally subdued after two campaigns*; the events of which are represented in relief on Trajan's column. *In two (?) campaigns against the Parthians* (who had placed a vassal on the throne of Armenia), Trajan reduced Armenia, Mesopotamia, and Assyria to the condition of Roman provinces, stormed Ctesiphon the Parthian capital, and advanced towards Arabia as far as the Persian Gulf. Some advantages were also gained by the governor of Syria in Arabia Petræa. The revolt of some nations and cities in his rear, especially of the Jews, compelled the emperor to commence a retreat, during which he died, leaving his throne to his learned, but vain and pedantic, countryman and kinsman

(P. Ælius) Hadrianus (117—138), who concluded a 648 peace with the Parthians, to whom he restored the almost untenable conquests of his predecessor on the other side of the Euphrates (Armenia also received back her kings, as vassals of Rome). *The attention of the new emperor was directed exclusively to the improvement of the internal administration of his empire.* To promote this object, he travelled through all the provinces, generally on foot, embellished the capitals—Athens by the addition of “Hadrian's town”—erected monuments (in Rome the moles Hadriani) and frontier fortresses (in Britain a rampart of earth against the Picts, in Germany a line of palisades from the main to the Danube); commanded Salvius Julianus to compile from the edicts of the prætors a code of civil law, which was termed *edictum perpetuum*; selected the members of his *consistorium principis* chiefly from the college of jurists, and introduced a new arrangement of the offices of state, which continued to the latest period of the empire (*officia palatina, publica and militaria*). The establishment of a Roman colony (*Ælia Capitolina*), with a temple of Jupiter Capitolinus on the ruins of Jerusalem, occasioned a *terrible insurrection*, which was only suppressed

A after an obstinate struggle of three years (131—133). Hadrian was succeeded by his adopted son,

649 Antoninus Pius (138—161), of whose peaceful and mild reign we possess only a few detached notices, relating chiefly to his private life, and anxiety for the internal welfare of his empire. A small portion of his time seems to have been occupied in unimportant wars with the Germans and Dacians, and the suppression of revolts in some of the provinces. Antoninus had already, at the desire of Hadrian, adopted the stoic philosopher,

650 M. Aurelius Antoninus (161—180), and the weak and  
B profligate L. Verus, who ascended the throne together. At the request of M. Aurelius, Verus undertook the conduct of a war against the Parthians, who had invaded the eastern provinces. The management of the campaign was, nevertheless, intrusted by Verus to his lieutenants, who brought the war to a satisfactory conclusion; whilst their general, both in the east, and after his return, seemed only to live for his dissolute pleasures. During the Parthian war, the southern provinces of the Roman empire, already devastated by a pestilence brought into them from the east, were ravaged by the Marcomanni, Quadi, and other German tribes, who extended their  
C conquests to Italy itself. Their audacity occasioned the great war of the Marcomanni, which was carried on by Marcus Aurelius in person (166—180). Thrice he crossed the Alps, and remained several years in the countries on the other side of those mountains. The two first wars were terminated by treaties; but these attempts to conciliate the barbarians proving ineffectual, Aurelius again attacked them and gained an important victory, but died before he could bring the war to a conclusion.

§ 160. *Decline of the Empire under the Prætorians.*

(180—284.)

651 Commōdus (180—192), the feeble-minded son of  
D Marcus Aurelius, granted peace to the Marcomanni and Quadi, on condition of their furnishing a yearly contingent. The flatterers of the young emperor availed themselves of

his weakness to lead him into the most scandalous excesses, (651) and of the mistrust occasioned by the discovery of several **A** conspiracies, to counsel acts of ferocious cruelty. The government was entrusted to the præfect of his guard for the time being, whilst the emperor exhibited himself as **Hercules Romanus** in gladiatorial shows (735 times) and combats with wild beasts. His insane pranks at last so terrified even his favorite courtiers, that, in order to save their own lives, they put him to death, and raised to the throne **Pertinax**, the præfectus urbi, who enjoyed the confidence of the senate.

**Pertinax** (193) was murdered by the guards (whose 652 excesses he endeavoured to restrain), after a reign of three **B** months. The imperial throne was now offered to the highest bidder, and purchased by

**Didius Julianus**. In three provinces, however, the 653 legions declared against him, and proclaimed their own generals, one of whom, the commander of the **Illyrian** legion,

**Septimius Severus**, being the first to appear in Italy, 654 was recognized by the senate, after the assassination of **Pertinax**, and enabled to bid defiance to his rivals. All the leisure allowed him by his constant wars, was devoted by this emperor to the correction of various abuses, which had crept into the administration, and to the amendment of the legal code, a task in which he was assisted by the jurists **Papinianus**, **Paulus**, and **Ulpianus**. In extreme old **C** age, **Severus**, in conjunction with his sons **Geta** and **Caracalla**, undertook an expedition into Britain, for the purpose of chastising the **Scottish Highlanders**, who had broken through the rampart of **Hadrian**. After penetrating the most remote recesses of the **Highlands**, and strengthening the former mound (probably that of **Hadrian**) by a wall, **Severus** died at **York**, partly of grief occasioned by the ingratitude of his sons, who succeeded him on the imperial throne.

**Caracalla** (211—217), in the first year of his reign, murdered 655 his brother, and soon afterwards put to death 20,000 men, women, **D** and children, under pretence of their being his adherents. Among these victims was the advocate **Papinianus**, who had refused to defend the fratricide. In order to satisfy the greediness of his soldiers, and at the same time procure sufficient funds for his own prodigal

(655) expenditure, Caracalla, after exhausting the treasures accumulated by his father, put to death a number of the richer citizens, granted <sup>A</sup> the full privileges of Roman citizenship to the inhabitants of all the provinces (*constitutio Antoniniana de civitate*), that he might subject them to the payment of heavier taxes, and visited the provinces in person for the purpose of extorting money. On these excursions he appeared in Macedonia as Alexander, and in Asia as Achilles. At Alexandria he put to death a great number of persons in revenge for some insult offered to him by the citizens. After invading and ravaging Media, he was murdered at the instigation of the præf. præt.

656 <sup>B</sup> Macrinus (217), who succeeded him on the throne. This emperor purchased peace from the Parthians, who had entered the Roman dominions with the intention of making reprisals for the invasion of Media by Caracalla. The withdrawal of several privileges hitherto enjoyed by the army in Syria, so disgusted the soldiers, that they raised to the imperial throne a priest of the sun, named Bassianus Heliogabalus, a youth of fourteen, the son, as they pretended, of the late emperor, Caracalla. Macrinus was defeated near Antiochia, and lost his life in attempting to escape from his pursuers.

657 Heliogabalus (217—222) gave himself up to every sort of sensual enjoyment; whilst his mother and grandmother administered the affairs of his empire, and even attended the meetings of the senate. He was persuaded to adopt his cousin Alexander Severus, whom he afterwards wished to destroy, and lost his own life in endeavouring to carry his murderous intentions into effect.

658 Alexander Severus (222—235), under the direction <sup>c</sup> of his excellent mother Mammæa, and a council of sixteen senators (among whom was Ulpianus), reigned with as much credit as was possible, considering the military tyranny to which the empire was now subjected; but the severity with which he treated the soldiers occasioned several mutinies in the legions. In the year 226 the Parthian empire was dissolved, and the new Persian, founded by a Persian, named by the Greeks Artaxerxes, who boasted of being a descendant from the ancient Persian <sup>d</sup> kings. The new sovereign having, in his eagerness to extend his empire, passed the Roman frontier, and proceeded as far as Cappadocia, the emperor undertook an expedition into the east, where he gained many important advantages. At a later period of his reign an irruption of the Germans into Gaul rendered his presence necessary on the banks of the Rhine, where his severity occasioned a mutiny among the Gallic legionaries, which ended in the murder of himself and his mother, by whom he had been accompanied in all his expeditions.



Under his successors, until the reign of Aurelian, the empire continued to decline, partly through the incessant <sup>A</sup> incursions of neighbouring nations (particularly the Germans), and partly through intestine divisions, which occasioned the elevation of rival emperors (nineteen against Gallienus, the so-called thirty tyrants). The nine emperors, who reigned during this period of thirty-five years, as well as the anti-Cæsars, obtained and lost the throne, generally speaking, through assassination.

In opposition to Maximinus (235—238), a Thracian herdsman, <sup>B</sup> of gigantic size and strength, two rival emperors were proclaimed in Africa—Gordian I., and his son, Gordian II. The son was slain in an engagement with the governor of Mauretania; the father died by his own hand. The senate now nominated to the imperial dignity two members of their own body, Maximus and Balbinus; to whom, at the request of the people, they added Gordian III., grandson of Gordian I. Maximinus, on his return from Germany, was murdered by his own soldiers during the siege of Aquileia; the two senators were slain by the Prætorians.

Gordianus (238—244), who governed well during the lifetime of <sup>B</sup> his father-in-law Misiæus, was assassinated, after the death of his adviser, by the Arabian

Philippus (244—249), who celebrated with great magnificence <sup>C</sup> the thousandth anniversary of the building of Rome. The Pannonian Decius, having been sent into Mœsia for the suppression of a revolt, was proclaimed emperor by the legions quartered in that country, and overcame Philip, who lost his life in the engagement.

Decius (249—251) [the persecutor of the Christians] was slain <sup>B</sup> in battle against the Goths, who had invaded Thrace. The legions now proclaimed their commander

Gallus (251—253), who consented to pay a yearly tribute to the <sup>B</sup> Goths; and on that account was deposed and murdered by Æmilianus, governor of Mœsia, by whom the Goths had been attacked and compelled to relinquish their booty.

Æmilianus (253) was put to death by his soldiers after a reign <sup>B</sup> of four months, and succeeded by

Valerianus (253—260), who had entered Italy with the intention <sup>D</sup> of avenging the murder of Gallus. During the reign of this emperor, the Roman dominions were invaded on all sides by the Franks, Alemanni, Goths, and Persians, who were feebly resisted by Valerian and his son Gallienus. The emperor himself was taken prisoner in a war against the Persians.

Gallienus (260—268) was opposed by about nineteen rival emperors <sup>B</sup> (the so-called thirty tyrants), whose conflicting claims occasioned the most hopeless confusion. Most of them, it is true, were soon set aside; but Tetricus maintained his position in Gaul and Spain, whilst Odenathus of Palmyra, after his victory over the Persians, obtained, as co-regent with Gallienus, the sovereignty of the east, which after his assassination (267) was assumed by his widow Zenobia. Under these two sovereigns, Palmyra became one of the

- A most flourishing cities of the east. Gallienus, whilst besieging his rival Aureolus in Milan, fell by the hand of an assassin, and was succeeded by the bravest of his generals,
- 668 Claudius II. (268—270), who took Milan, and put Aureolus to death. This emperor materially weakened the power of the barbarians by a victory over the Alemanni who had invaded Italy, and by thrice defeating the Goths and their allies. He died of the plague, after recommending the ablest of his generals, Aurelian, as his successor.
- 669 Aurelianus (270—275), on his accession, found the empire divided; Tetricus reigning in the west, and Zenobia being mistress of the whole Syrian empire, and most of the provinces of Asia Minor and Egypt. His successful endeavours to restore the integrity of the empire obtained
- B him the surname of *restitutor patriæ*. Before, however, this object could be accomplished, he was compelled to sustain several invasions of the German tribes. The province of Dacia, which it was almost impossible to protect, was abandoned to the Goths, the Roman inhabitants being transplanted to Moesia (*Dacia Aureliani*); but, on the other hand, the Marcomanni and Alemanni (the latter of whom had penetrated as far as Umbria) were driven back into their own country. A new wall was also erected for the security of Rome against the barbarians. Aurelian then marched against Zenobia, who was in the act of subduing the rest of Asia Minor. After two defeats (at Antiochia and Emësa) she retreated to her capital, which
- C was besieged by Aurelian. Zenobia escaped from the city, but was afterwards taken prisoner and conveyed to Rome, to adorn the triumph of her conqueror. Palmyra, which had opened its gates after the capture of the queen, was at first spared; but the citizens having, after the emperor's departure, murdered the Roman garrison, Aurelian returned, butchered most of the inhabitants, and destroyed the city, with its magnificent temples and palaces. Having subdued Egypt also, he marched into Gaul, where Tetricus, weary of sovereignty, suffered himself to be taken prisoner in a battle near Châlons. The emperor, whose severity had rendered him odious, was assassinated, during an expedition against the Persians, at the instigation of his secretary.
- 670 Tacitus (who was nominated to the imperial dignity by the senate), and his brother Florianus, reigned only a few months.

Probus (276—282) strained every nerve to restore (670) the ancient military discipline, and resisted with great zeal <sup>A</sup> and success the numerous inroads of German tribes (Burgundians, Alemanni, Vandals, and Franks) into the Roman provinces. He advanced into Germany as far as the Elbe, compelled nine princes to pay tribute, strengthened the frontier lines from the Rhine to the Danube, and enlisted a number of Germans into the Roman legions (Return of the Franks from the Black Sea to the Rhine?). After a campaign in the east, followed by a magnificent triumph, the emperor put in execution a plan for re-peopling the deserted provinces with German settlers. The discontent <sup>B</sup> of his soldiers (who were compelled to plant vineyards, dig canals, make roads, drain swamps, &c. for the new colonists) having occasioned the assassination of Probus, the army chose as his successor the præfectus prætorio

Carus (282, 283), who appointed his sons Carinus and Numerianus (671) to be his co-regents, defeated the Sarmatæ (who had invaded Illyria), and lost his life (probably by assassination) during a campaign against the Persians.

Carinus and Numerianus (284). Numerianus, on his march (672) back from Persia, was murdered by his own father-in-law. The soldiers, who were disgusted at the extravagant luxury in which <sup>C</sup> Carinus lived at Rome, having raised to the imperial throne Diocletian, commander of the household troops, Carinus took the field against his rival, and lost his life in Moesia.

§ 161. *Period occupied by Partitions of the Empire, until the reign of Constantine.*

(284—324.)

Diocletianus (284—305) appointed as co-regent his (673) comrade in arms Maximianus, to whom he committed the administration of the western district. Diocletian himself established his residence in Nicomedia, where he introduced the oriental court ceremonies, whilst his colleague resided alternately at Trèves, Arles, and Milan. The increasing audacity of the Germanic tribes on the banks of the Rhine and Danube, soon compelled each of the two emperors to appoint a colleague (Constantius Chlorus and Galerius). The four sovereigns now apportioned among themselves the administration of the provinces and the defence of the frontiers; but, in spite of this arrangement, rival emperors established themselves in the provinces (Carausius in Britain, and afterwards Allectus and Achil-

(673) leus in Egypt), where they continued to reign for many  
 A years. On the other hand, the inroads of the neighbouring  
 tribes were repressed; and Galerius, in a war with the  
 Persians (which he had undertaken for the purpose of  
 settling the succession to the throne of Armenia), obtained  
 possession of five provinces on the other side the Tigris,  
 and compelled the Persians to renounce their claims on  
 Mesopotamia. At the instigation of Galerius, Diocletian  
 prohibited the celebration of Christian worship, and com-  
 menced a cruel persecution of the Christians throughout  
 B the empire. Finding himself, after a severe illness, too  
 feeble to transact the business of government, Diocletian  
 abdicated (contemporaneously with Maximian), and passed  
 the rest of his life at Salōna in Dalmatia, where he amused  
 himself with the cultivation of a garden.

674 The practice of apportioning the government among  
 four sovereigns still continued; Constantius and Galerius  
 being proclaimed Augusti, and nominating each a colleague.  
 After the death of Constantius (306), which happened  
 during an expedition into Britain, his son Constantinus  
 was proclaimed emperor in that country. He deposed all  
 the coadjutors, the number of whom now amounted to five,  
 and became in the year 324 sole occupant of the imperial  
 throne.

675 After the death of Constantius, his son Constantinus was pro-  
 claimed emperor by the troops in Britain, and Maxentius, the  
 C feeble son of Maximian, by those at Rome; Galerius nominated  
 his friend Licinius as his coadjutor; Maximian again appeared  
 in the character of emperor, and Maximin also assumed the title of  
 Augustus. Thus in the year 308 there were six emperors.

Constantinus caused his father-in-law Maximian (who had at-  
 tempted his life) to be secretly strangled; and defeated his son  
 Maxentius in three engagements (at Turin, Verona, and Saxa rubra  
 on the Tiber). In the last of these battles Maxentius was drowned  
 in the Tiber. Galerius died in consequence of his excesses—  
 Maximinus was defeated by Licinius, and took poison.

676 Constantinus, and his brother-in-law Licinius (313—324).  
 D Constantine soon quarrelled with his brother-in-law (who had be-  
 come too powerful since his victory over Maximin), and after two  
 defeats forced him to content himself with the Asiatic provinces,  
 Thrace and eastern Moesia. In a second war, Licinius was again  
 defeated in two engagements (at Adrianople and Chalcēdon). Being  
 shut up in Nicomedia, he consented to abdicate on condition of being  
 permitted to depart unmolested; but this compact was violated by  
 Constantine, who put him to death at Thessalonica, and thus became  
 monarch of the entire Roman empire.

§ 162. *Constantine the Great, sole Emperor.*

(324—337.)

Constantine, who from the commencement of his reign 677 had permitted the free exercise of their religion to the A Christians, himself embraced Christianity, in consequence of a miraculous appearance in the heavens, immediately before his third victory over Maxentius, and proclaimed it as the religion of the state, but deferred his baptism until the close of his life. He assembled the first œcumenical council at Nicæa (325), where the doctrine of Arius (that the Son of God is inferior to God the FATHER [even 'as touching his Godhead']) was condemned, and the doctrine of the Son's essential equality with the FATHER<sup>1</sup> asserted in the Symbolum Nicænum ['the Nicene Creed'], in which it is expressed by the term *ὁμοούσιος* (consubstantialis).

## 2. New organization of the Empire.

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Constantine laid the foundation of a future division of B the empire in the establishment of a new capital at Byzantium, which was restored on a scale of great magnificence, and repopled, but not without the commission of many acts of violence and oppression. At its dedication in 330 or 334, this city was called Nova Roma, but at a later period it received the name of Constantinopolis. The two capitals were placed on an equal footing, each having its own senate and præfect of the city. The remainder of the empire was divided into thirteen dioceses, which were subdivided into 116 provinces. At the head of the state was the emperor, who in most cases received the title of Cæsar and Augustus from the armies, or was admitted to that dignity by his predecessor. His lieutenants C were, as before, the præfecti prætorio, whose influence Constantine weakened by increasing the number to four (1. for the East with Thrace; 2. for Illyria, with Macedonia and Greece; 3. for Italy and Africa; 4. for the

<sup>1</sup> [The doctrine of the Catholic Church is, that "the nature of GOD THE SON is equal in all respects to that of GOD THE FATHER, with the exception of that *pre-eminence* which belongs to the FATHER, as such" ["*Salvâ Patris ἑξοχῇ, qua Pater est.*" *Bp. Bull.*]. Our blessed LORD (as GOD and MAN) is "equal to the FATHER, as touching his Godhead; and inferior to the FATHER, as touching his manhood." —*Creed of St. Athanasius.*]

(678) West). He also transferred the military command from  
 A those officers to a *magister peditum* and *magister equitum*. The dioceses were administered by vicars (deputies of the *præfects*), and the provinces by *rectors*. The commanders of the troops in the provinces were termed *duces*, and sometimes also *comites*.

679 The seven chief court offices were—1. The *præpositus sacri cubiculi* (grand chamberlain), who superintended the internal arrangements of the imperial palace. 2. The *magister officiorum* (imperial chancellor), who was charged with the care of the solemn representations at the imperial court, and exercised a jurisdiction over all the other officers. 3. The *quæstor sacri palatii* (secretary of state), through whom all new laws and the decisions of the emperor on petitions were made known to the public. He also countersigned the cabinet orders. 4. The *comes sacrarum largitionum* (minister of finance). 5. The *comes rei privatæ* (privy-purse). 6  
 B and 7. The two *comites domesticorum*, commanders of the household troops, which occupied the place of the disbanded *prætorians*. These seven officers, with the *præfectus præt.*, the *præf. urbi*, and the counsellors of state properly so called (*comites consistoriaui*), composed the council (*consistorium*) of the emperor, by whom they were especially consulted on questions of legislation. Many of the institutions of former days were also retained—a senate, for instance, in each of the capitals, which was sometimes consulted respecting the laws, or commissioned to decide the more important criminal cases—two consuls, *prætors* and *quæstors*, dignities from which a heavy expenditure was inseparable. The highest civil and military officers down to the *comes rei privatæ* were designated “*illustres* ;” next to them were the “*spectabiles*,” then the “*clarissimi*,” “*perfectissimi*,” and last of all the “*egregii*.”

680 The Taxes.—1. An annual land- and poll-tax, levied by an imperial edict termed *indictio*. This tax, which was paid partly in cash and partly in agricultural produce, was founded on a census, renewed every fifteen years. 2. A tax on manufactures and trade.  
 C 3. Revenue derived from harbour dues and duties on articles brought overland, mines, coinage of money, and imperial manufactures. 4. Golden crowns (*aurum coronarium*), presented to the emperor on solemn occasions as marks of honour.

681 Towards the end of his reign, Constantine assisted the Sarmatæ and Vandals in a war against the Goths; and when the latter entered Mœsia with the intention of avenging themselves, they were driven back into their own  
 D country. A great number of the Sarmatæ (300,000) were settled by Constantine in the Roman provinces on the Danube. His eldest son Crispus having been put to death on the accusation of his wife Fausta (who was herself stifled in a bath), his three younger sons divided the empire among themselves.

§ 163. *The successors of Constantine the Great to the permanent division of the Empire.*

(337—395.)

Of Constantine's three sons, Constantius (337—364) 682 became at last sole emperor, through the death of both his <sup>A</sup> brothers; one of whom was murdered by the other, and the assassin himself destroyed by a conspiracy. The rival emperors were also all set aside.

Constantine II. inherited the west, Constantius the east with Con- 683 stantinople, and Constans the country lying between the dominions of his two brothers. Whilst Constantius was engaged in a long war with the Persians, by which great injury was inflicted on both nations, Constantine lost his life in an attempt to depose his brother Constans; who rendered himself contemptible by his excesses, and fell a victim to a conspiracy. Thus Constantius (after also expelling two usurpers) became sole occupant of the throne.

The Alemanni and Franks having invaded Gaul, Con- 684 stantius entrusted the defence of that province to his ne- <sup>B</sup> phew Julian, who compelled the Alemanni and a portion of the Franks to recross the Rhine, and assigned settlements in Belgium to the Salian Franks, who were vassals of Rome. The military reputation of his nephew, and his admirable administration of Gaul, excited the envy of the emperor, who was engaged in an unsuccessful war against the Persians, which he made a pretence for withdrawing several legions from Julian. Instead, however, of marching eastwards, the Gallic legions proclaimed Julian emperor at Paris, and Constantine died in Cilicia on his march homewards to oppose the nomination.

Julianus Apostata (361—363), who had been edu- 685 cated in the Christian faith, was perverted to paganism by <sup>C</sup> the study of heathen literature and initiation into the Greek mysteries. He endeavoured to re-establish the ancient idolatrous worship, wrote against Christianity, and manifested his hatred of the religion from which he had apostatized by protecting the Jews; but his attempts to restore the temple at Jerusalem were rendered abortive by the bursting forth of flames out of the ground. In an expedition against the Persians, whose proposals of peace he had rejected, Julian crossed the Tigris, and gained

- A a decisive victory near Ctesiphon; but was mortally wounded on his return. He was succeeded by a Christian emperor.
- 686 Jovianus (363, 364), who accepted the conditions of peace offered by the Persians (for thirty years), ceded the five provinces on the other side the Tigris, which had been conquered by Diocletian, and left Armenia to its fate. After his death, which happened on the homeward march from Persia, the army chose the commander of the household troops,
- 687 Valentinian I. (364—375), who appointed his brother Valens (364—378) co-regent, and assigned him the eastern half of the empire, the frontiers of which were at that period invaded in almost every direction by the barbarians. Thenceforward the empire continued to be divided into eastern and western, except in the last year of Theodosius, when the two portions were re-united.
- 688 Valentinian I. was occupied during the whole of his reign with war against the *Alemanni*, who had ravaged Gallia and Rhetia. The enemy were compelled to recross the Rhine, and for several years maintained the conflict in their own country. A chain of fortresses was established on the Rhine from Bâle to Mainz (Mayence), and another on the Neckar. Finally, Valentinian drove the *Quadi* and *Sarmatæ*, who had invaded Illyricum, across the Danube, and died of hæmorrhage, occasioned by the excitement of an angry discussion with the ambassadors of the Quadi. *Britain*, which had been overrun by the Picts and Scots, was re-conquered in some sort by Theodosius, father of the next emperor, who extended the frontier as far as the rampart of Antoninus, and formed a new province, named Valentia, out of the territory thus acquired.
- C Valens, as an Arian, persecuted the orthodox party, and at the same time ill-treated the pagan favorites of Julian. His incapacity and worthlessness favoured the elevation to the throne of Procopius, a relation of Julian, who owed his election to the bought votes of the soldiers at Constantinople. After maintaining his position for nearly a year, Procopius was delivered up to his rival by his own soldiers. Wars of Valens. 1. The *West Goths* or *Thervingians* (under their "Judge" Athanaric) were kept at bay for three years, and prevented from crossing the frontier by an irregular army collected from all parts of the Roman provinces and sent across the Danube. 2. A war with the *Persians* respecting the right of nomination to the thrones of Armenia and Iberia was not yet concluded, when fresh outbreaks rendered the emperor's presence necessary on the banks of the Danube.
- 689 Commencement of the immigrations. The Huns having entered Europe from Eastern Asia and



joined the Alāni (between the Caspian and Black sea), (689) attacked the Goths, a partially christianized people, a dwelling between the Don and the Danube. A portion of the west Goths were permitted by Valens to settle in Mœsia; but the severity of the Roman governor having driven them to revolt, they in company with the Ostro-Goths forced their way into Thrace, traversed Macedonia as far as Thessaly and defeated Valens near Adrianople (378), where the emperor and two-thirds of his soldiers were slain. His successor in the east,

Theodosius (379—395), terminated the war with the 690 Goths by assigning to whole tribes of that nation tracts of waste land in Mœsia, Thrace, Phrygia, and Lydia. In the last year of his reign, Theodosius re-united the eastern and western empires, which he again divided between his two sons, Arcadius receiving the east, and Honorius the west, 395.

In the west, Valentinian I. was succeeded by his sons Gr- 691 tianus, and Valentinianus II. a child of seven years old. Gratian defeated the Alemanni near Colmar, and having received c intelligence of the death of his uncle (Valens), despatched the younger Theodosius into the east, and after he had delivered the empire from the Goths, rewarded him with the eastern portion. Gratian having rendered himself odious by favouring the barbarians, the legions quartered in Britain called Maximus to the throne, and Gratian lost his life in attempting to escape from his rival. Maximus reigned many years in Gaul, but having entered Italy, he was defeated and put to death by Theodosius, to whom Valentinian II. had fled for safety. Thus Valentinian became sole emperor, but the management of public affairs was entrusted to Arbogastes, a Frank, who had conquered Gaul for Theodosius. An attempt on the part of the emperor to circumscribe the power of this favorite occasioned his own assassination. The murderer did not however D himself assume the imperial crown, but proclaimed Eugenius, the magister officiorum, who was defeated and executed by Theodosius, upon which Arbogastes slew himself. Thus Theodosius became sole emperor in the year 394.

### § 164. *The Western Roman Empire—to its Fall.*

(395—476.)

Honorius (395—423), under the guardianship of the 692 Vandal Stilicho, Imperial residence at Ravenna (since 404).

- 693 The two first wars with the West Goths [Visigoths]. Alaric, king of the West Goths, having invaded Macedonia and Greece, and threatened Italy itself, under pretence that the subsidy granted by Theodosius to his countrymen had not been paid, Stilicho unexpectedly appeared with a small fleet off Peloponnesus, whereupon Alaric withdrew to Illyria. Having recruited his army, the Gothic prince entered Upper Italy with his whole force, but was defeated by Stilicho at Pollentia and Verona, and again retired into Illyria.
- 694 Several German tribes who had also invaded Italy under the command of Radagais, were permitted by Stilicho to advance as far as Florence, where he blockaded them with the assistance of other barbarians, and compelled the greater part of them to surrender at discretion.
- 695 Stilicho having re-called the legions quartered in Britain and on the Rhine for the protection of Italy, the German tribes overran the western provinces without opposition, the Alemanni settling in Alsace and Lorraine, the Franks in north-western Gaul, the Burgundians in the districts bordering on the Jura, and the Vandals, Alans, and Suevi in Spain, whilst the tracts of country on the banks of the Danube, which the invaders had quitted, were occupied by the Gepidæ, Sarmatæ, and especially by the Huns, who took possession of Pannonia.
- 696 The third war with the West Goths. Stilicho having persuaded the senate to grant Alaric an indemnification for sums expended in abortive preparations for a common expedition (against Constantinople?), was accused by Olympius (a favorite of the emperor) of trafficking with the barbarian, and suffered death. Alaric, who probably had never received the subsidy voted to him, now advanced into Italy, and blockaded Rome; but consented to raise the siege on payment of a large sum of money by the inhabitants. The court at Ravenna having refused his claim to rank as the first general in the service of Honorius, Alaric persuaded the præf. urbi Attalus to accept the imperial dignity; but soon deposed him, and resumed his negotiations with Honorius. An ambuscade near Ravenna occasioned another siege of Rome, which was taken and given up to plunder during six (?) days, in the year 410. Alaric died at Consentia, on an expedition

into Lower Italy. His brother-in-law and successor (696) Ataulphus, concluded a peace with Honorius (whose sister A Placidia he married), and led the West Goths into Gaul (in 412), and Spain (414).

The western empire was now tottering to its fall—for not only 697 were Gaul and Spain almost entirely in the hands of barbarian invaders, but several rival emperors were striving with each other and with Honorius for possession of the remaining portion. An attempt was also made by the governor of Africa to depose Honorius by landing in Umbria, but his whole army was cut to pieces in a single engagement. Constantius, an Illyrian, who had subdued the usurpers in Gaul, held the reins of government during the last years of Honorius, married Placidia, the emperor's sister, and was invested with the imperial dignity; but died a short time before the decease of Honorius.

Honorius (after the short usurpation of his secretary Johannes B (423—425), who was never recognized by the court of Constantinople) was succeeded by his son

Valentinianus III. (425—455), a child of six years 698 old, under the guardianship of his mother Placidia, who conferred on Aëtius the command-in-chief of the army and the presidency of her council of state. The intrigues of this minister involved his mistress in a dispute with Bonifacius, governor of Africa, whom he advised the empress to recal in order to test his fidelity, warning the governor at the same time not to obey the command. On c receiving this intelligence, Bonifacius, whose province was infested by marauding African hordes, called in Genseric, the fierce and cruel king of the Vandals. The barbarians who landed in Africa in consequence of this invitation soon forgot the distinction between friend and foe; and after ravaging the whole northern coast, established a Vandalic pirate state, of which Carthage was the capital. Mauretania and Numidia remained faithful to the Roman empire, but the rest of the province was entirely subject to the barbarians, whose fleets rendezvoused in the African ports, and rendered the navigation of the Mediterranean exceedingly insecure. Britain, since the departure of the D Roman legions, had been torn by intestine divisions and harassed by the repeated incursions of hostile tribes. In his distress one of the British princes called in some bands of Saxons, Angles, and Jutes, who landed under Hengist and Horsa in the year 445 (?), expelled the Picts

- (698) and Scots, and settled in Britain, where they gradually  
 A established the seven Anglo-Saxon kingdoms. Genseric, king of the Vandals, formed an alliance against the West Goths and Latins with Attila, king of the Huns, who invaded Gaul with an enormous force, composed of all the nations subjected to his dominion from the Volga to the Rhine. This army was defeated by Aetius, in conjunction with the West Goths (under Theodoric I.), the Burgundians, and a portion of the Franks (under Merovæus), in the Catalaunian Fields (near Châlons-sur-Marne), in the year 451. Attila then invaded Italy, where he sacked Aquileia, and ravaged the plains of Lombardy northwards from the Po, driving a part of the inhabitants to the lagunes of the Adriatic sea, where they founded the city  
 B of Venice. An attack on the capital was averted by the intercession of a Roman deputation, headed by Bishop Leo. The sudden death of Attila in the following year (453) was succeeded by the dissolution of the Hunnish empire (compare B. II. § 6). Valentinian murdered Aetius (who seems to have manifested a desire to secure the imperial throne to his family by the marriage of his son with the emperor's daughter), and was himself openly assassinated on the Campus Martius by two senators, friends of Aetius, at the instigation of the senator Procopius Maximus, whose wife he had debauched.
- 699 Maximus (455) was called to the throne by the  
 C soldiers, whose support he had in all probability secured previously to the death of the late emperor. The widowed empress, Eudoxia, indignant at being compelled to marry Maximus, avenged herself by calling in Genseric, king of the Vandals, who entered the Tiber with his fleet, plundered Rome, ravaged the whole line of coast from the Tiber to Naples, and carried off the principal Romans to Africa, in the hope of obtaining large sums for their ransom. Maximus in attempting to fly was slain by his own soldiers.
- 700 After his death the empire, which now comprehended  
 D little more than Italy itself, was ruled by eight emperors, who followed one another in rapid succession. Of this number, the six first were entirely dependent on the Gothic chief, Ricimer, commandant of the foreign troops in the service of Rome; nor was the authority of any one of

them respected beyond the limits of the district in which he actually resided.

1. The immediate successor of Maximus was Avitus (455, 456), 701 commander-in-chief of the Roman troops in Gaul, who rendered himself contemptible by his excesses, and lost his throne and life in consequence of a conspiracy. After an interregnum of seven months, during which the Greek emperor (Marcianus) was regarded as regent, the imperial title was assumed by

2. Majorianus, commander-in-chief in the west, who seems to have recovered the eastern coast of Spain in a war with the West Goths. During his reign a Roman fleet fitted out against the Vandals was burnt by Genseric, but, on the other hand, the almost yearly invasions of those barbarians were terminated by the conclusion of a peace with their leader. In consequence of an attempt on the part of Majorian to circumscribe the influence of Ricimer, he was deposed and murdered by that general, who now exercised sovereign power in the name of his puppet

3. Livius Severus (461—465), but only in Italy, Marcellinus B refusing to recognize his authority in Dalmatia, and Ægidius (father of Syagrius) in Gaul. After the death of Severus, the western empire was governed by Ricimer, in the name of the Greek emperor Leo, who at last, with the consent of Ricimer, nominated

4. Anthemius (467—472). A large fleet fitted out by this emperor, in conjunction with Leo, for the re-conquest of Africa, was utterly destroyed by Genseric. Anthemius having quarrelled with Ricimer, the latter caused

5. Anicius Olybrius to be proclaimed emperor, took possession of Rome in his name, and put Anthemius to death; but soon afterwards himself died, together with Olybrius, of a pestilential disease.

6. Glycerius, who had assumed the imperial dignity without C the sanction of the Greek emperor, was soon compelled to resign his throne to

7. Julius Nepos, and he to his general Orestes, who proclaimed his son

8. Romulus Augustulus.

Since the death of Ricimer, Italy, instead of being 702 ruled by one sovereign, had been divided between Odoacer and Orestes, each of whom exercised supreme authority in the district occupied by his army. Scarcely had Orestes placed his son Romulus Augustulus on the imperial throne, when he was besieged in Pavia by an army composed of Heruli, Rugii, and other German tribes under the command of Odoacer, who carried the city by storm, and having put Orestes to death, deposed his son Romulus, and caused himself to be proclaimed *king of Italy* in the year 476.

§ 165. *Religion, &c., of the Romans.*

## 703 1. Religion.

- A The Romans were accustomed to ascribe the establishment of their religion to their king, Numa Pompilius, to whom they also attributed the formation of the sacerdotal colleges, and the publication of the most ancient religious records. To the original Sabino-Latin element of the Roman national religion was soon added a Tuscan, and under the later kings the influence of Greece was also manifested in the adaptation of her representations of the gods and religious ceremonies to the peculiarities of the Roman faith, which they served to develop rather than
- B to destroy. Thus men believed concerning Jupiter, Juno, and Minerva, all that was related by the Greeks of Zeus, and Hērē, and Athēnē, as far as that belief was consistent with the Roman character and history. The decline of the Roman religion at the commencement of the first century before Christ, may be attributed to the introduction of the mystic worships of Egypt and of Asia, with their dark superstitions, and to the distinction established between the popular religion and that of the philosophers and poets. In the last years of the Republic there seems to have been a complete dissolution of all religious as well
- C as political relations. Notwithstanding the efforts of the earlier emperors to check the propagation of strange doctrines, idolatry and irreligion continued to increase, whilst on the other hand Christianity, in spite of ten fearful persecutions, steadily extended its sphere of action, until its establishment as the state religion by Constantine the Great.

## 704 The chief Deities of the Romans.

- a. *The three Capitoline divinities.* 1. Jupiter, as prince of the air, is the author of all changes in the atmosphere; rain and storm, thunder and lightning. He is supreme among the gods, and the most powerful agent in the direction of human affairs (optimus maximus), the protector of probity and virtue, the guardian of oaths, landmarks, and all obligations which are based on fidelity and credit. Among the many festivals celebrated in his honour, the most remarkable were the Capitoline, or great Roman Games, in the circus maximus, and the Feriæ Latinæ on the Alban mount. 2. Juno, the queen of heaven, afforded the same protection to the female sex as Jupiter to the male, and was the especial patroness of all relations
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founded on marriage: she accompanied the woman from the cradle (704) to the tomb, and befriended her in all the important occurrences of life. 3. Minerva was the patroness of arts and manufactures. A She bestowed on the housewife the dexterity requisite for her handiwork, inspired the warrior with cunning, prudence, and courage, and imparted creative energy to the artist and the poet.

b. *Of the planets* only the two most important, the sun (sol) and 705 moon (luna) were invoked as deities. The earth was personified under the name of Tellus.

c. *Deities of the lower world.*—The infernal empire (like its ruling 706 divinity) was termed Orcus, Dis (i.e. dives). To him belongs in all probability the name Consus, and the festival Consualia. His consort, the queen of this shadowy realm, was called Libitina.

d. *Deities of the elements.*—1. Of water: Neptunus. 2. Of fire: 707 Vulcanus, the god of furnaces and forges; and Vesta, or the fire of the hearth, who was honoured by the women in every private B house at each meal, as well as publicly in her temple, under the direction of the Vestal virgins (see 712, 5).

e. *Deities presiding over agriculture and the rearing of cattle.*—The 708 introduction of agriculture was ascribed by the Latins to their ancient king Saturnus; to whom they also attributed the first establishment of civilization (hence the golden age). His wife Ops (i.e. wealth) was worshipped on earth under the title of Dēmētēr. The Saturnalia, or feast in honour of Saturn, as guardian of all fruits in gardens and fields, was the general harvest festival especially designed for the recreation of slaves. To these Latin rural deities were added, about B.C. 500, three Grecian, viz. Ceres, Liber, and Libera, who had their temples and feasts (Cerealia) in common. The protectress of the flocks was Pales, whose feast, the Palilia, C was held on the anniversary of the building of Rome, probably because Romulus established her worship when he founded the city. Mars, also, their highest divinity next to Jupiter, and the father of their founder by a vestal virgin, was honoured by the ancient Latins, not only as the god of war, but as the patron of agriculture and all other industrial pursuits of the male sex. On the Campus Martius, which was dedicated to him, were held races twice a year, and every four years a census of the Roman citizens. (For the Salii, see 712, 6.)

f. *The oracular deities of the Latins were*—1. Their deified king 709 Faunus, whose responses were given in dreams, or by mysterious voices in forests. 2. Fauna, a daughter, sister, or wife of Faunus. D This deity, who was known among mortals as the "good goddess," communicated her oracles exclusively to females, as Faunus to males. 3. Carmentis and the Camenæ, prophetic nymphs, among whom the most renowned was Egeria, the instructress of king Numa. The worship of Apollo was introduced at a later period, but that of Diana seems to have been established contemporaneously with the settlement of the Sabines and Latins as plebeians at Rome.

g. *Deities presiding over physical and moral events.*—1. Janus, who 710 directs the commencement of every undertaking, opens and closes all things; and at the beginning of every year, month, and day, beholds with his double countenance both the past and future. His principal

- (710) festival was on New Year's day. At the commencement of a war the temple of Janus, founded by Numa (strictly speaking, a mere gate), which was kept closed in time of peace, was solemnly opened by the consul. 2. The *Parcæ*, or goddesses of fate, who indicate the unchangeable destiny of man, as settled at his birth, in contradistinction to—3. *Fortuna*, or chance, the directress of variable events, to whom men addressed themselves at every important crisis of their lives. 4. The worship of *Venus*, an ancient national divinity of the Latins, derived its importance from the identification of that goddess with the Greek *Aphroditē*. 5. Divine honours were also paid to personifications of abstract ideas; such as *Salus*, *Pax*, *Concordia*, *Libertas*, *Felicitas*, *Faustitas*, *Bonus Eventus*, *Juventus*, *Victoria*, *Terminus*, and especially to moral qualities; as *Mens*,  
A *Pietas*, *Pudicitia*, *Virtus*, *Honos*, *Spes*, and, above all, *Fides*. *Amor*, *Cupido*, and *Voluptas*, were known only through the Greeks and the poets. 6. Among the deities of trade and gain the most important was *Mercurius* (from *mercari*). 7. *Bellona* was the goddess of war. 8. A temple was first erected to *Roma* in the reign of Augustus.

- 711 h. *Life, death, and existence after death* are severally represented in the Roman religion by—1. The *Genii*, or guardian spirits, who attend men as constant companions from their birth to the hour of their death. 2. The *Manes*, or souls of the dead in general. 3. The *Lares*, a sort of saints, who either protected the commonwealth, like the Greek heroes (such were *Romulus*, *Remus*, *Quirinus*, *Numa*, *Tatius*, &c.), or were worshipped as the guardians of private families. The *Lares* were also distinguished according to the places in which they were supposed to exercise their power; and in this point of view the most important were the *House-Lares*, or *Penates*.

- 712 The principal priesthoods.

- c a. *The priestly colleges*.—1. The *Pontifices*, four, eight, fifteen, sixteen, chosen for life by the college, were charged with the superintendence of public and private worship, as well as the management of the entire priesthood and the administration of ecclesiastical law. The president of this college, the *pontifex maximus*, who was chosen by the people, regulated the calendar, announced the festivals, and wrote the *Annales Maximi*. 2. The *Augures*, three, four, nine, fifteen, chosen also for life by co-optatio, ascertained the will of the gods on all public questions by means of—*a.* Atmospheric phenomena, as thunder, lightning, the shooting of stars, &c.; *b.* the flight and cry of birds; *c.* the manner in which certain sacred animals  
D devoured their food. The inspection of victims was conducted by the *Haruspices* (foreigners hired for that purpose). *Auspicia* are those signs which present themselves unsought; *auguria* those which are vouchsafed in answer to prayer. 3. The inspectors of the *Sibylline books*, two, ten, fifteen, who, on important occasions and in times of great difficulty, were empowered by the senate to consult (in presence of the chief magistrates) the books purchased, according to tradition, by *Tarquinius Superbus*. 4. The twenty *Fetiales*, appointed by *Numa*, or *Ancus Martius*, for the purpose of proclaiming war, and concluding treaties of peace and alliance in the



name of the Roman people. 5. The Vestal Virgins (four; from (712) the time of Tarq. Priscus six), subject to the Pontifex Maximus, by whom they were chosen between the ages of six and ten. They <sup>A</sup> were required to continue in the service of the temple thirty years; of which the first ten were employed in learning their duty, the next ten in discharging it, and the last in instructing others. Their most important duties were the keeping watch over the Palladium, and maintaining the sacred fire. 6. The Salii Palatini, established by Numa, as guardians of the shield of Mars (aucile), which fell down from heaven, and of the eleven made in imitation of it.

b. *The priests of particular deities* were termed Flamīnes, and 713 their wives Flaminicæ. They were distinguished as Flamines majores and minores. To this order belonged the priests of the three principal guardian deities of Rome, Jupiter, Mars, and Quirinus (Flamen Dialis, Martialis, Quirinalis). After the expulsion of the B Tarquins, the duty of offering public sacrifices, which had previously been discharged by the kings, was intrusted to a rex sacrorum, or rex sacrificulus.

Modes of worship.

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The holy places were either mere consecrated enclosures (fana, delubra) or temples (templa, sedes), with two altars; one of which (ara) was intended for libations and incense, and the other (generally termed altare) for burnt sacrifices. The sacred usages consisted of prayers, vows, consecrations, purifications, sacrifices, feasts, and public games.

2. The art of war was more successfully cultivated 715 by the Romans than by any other nation of antiquity.

a. *Land force.*—Every Roman citizen, from his six- cteenth to his forty-fifth year, was *bound*, or, in the language of the best days of the republic, *privileged* to perform military duty in the field; the capite censi and freedmen alone being exempt, until the time of Marius. In the arrangement of the legions, they adopted, until the time of the Punic wars, the principle of the centurial constitution of Servius Tullius.

The legion consisted originally of three divisions of 1200 men, of 716 which the two first were heavily and the third lightly armed. At a <sup>D</sup> later period (from the time of Camillus) there were five divisions, or cohorts (hastati, principes, triarii, rorarii, accensi); each cohort consisting of fifteen maniples, each manipule of two centuries, a Roman and Latin, and each century of thirty men, besides the centurion; in all 4500 men (at a later period 6000). To each legion was attached a body of cavalry, generally 300 strong. Two legions composed, in most instances, a consular army. The wings of the main army were covered by the auxiliaries, who were organized in the same manner, but with a much greater proportion of cavalry.

Towards the end of the republic, the citizens, and at a 717 later period the allies, were excused from military service,

(717) which was performed by mercenary troops from various countries. The emperors organized a standing body-guard (the ten cohortes prætorianæ). The army was commanded at different periods by the kings, consuls, dictators, prætors, and emperors, to whom a quæstor and a certain number of legati were assigned as lieutenants. At the head of each legion were the tribuni militum, and under them the centuriones. Constantine the Great placed in command of his entire force a magister peditum and magister equitum. Some sort of remuneration seems to have been granted under the kings, but the practice of giving regular pay to each legionary was not introduced until a short time before the Veientine war (compare page 238, D).

B Rewards were also given in the shape of participation in the booty, crowns of different descriptions, weapons of honour, and after the civil wars allotments of land, the title of imperator for the commander-in-chief, solemn thanksgivings, and, above all, the triumph (or at least the ovatio).

718 b. *The maritime force.*—(For its origin see page 252, c.)

The Roman fleets consisted of vessels of burden, light transports, and from 100 to 300 ships of war, with three or five banks of oars, manned with citizens of the lowest class, freedmen, and foreigners, who served either as scamen or marines.

719 3. Literature.

c The history of Roman literature may be divided into four periods; of which the first begins with Livius Andronicus, about 240 years before Christ. Of the period antecedent to that date we possess nothing beyond a few religious hymns, oracular responses, table songs, a kind of popular drama (the Atellanæ), some meagre chronicles, and fragments of laws and inscriptions. The foundation of Roman literature, properly so called, was laid in the year 240 in the adaptation of some Greek poetical works, which were soon followed by similar attempts in prose.

D The second period, from the death of Sulla to that of Augustus, was the *golden age* of Roman literature, which flourished under the influence of Greek civilization and learning. Eloquence especially developed itself as an independent study, and pervaded every department of literature, which assumed in consequence a decidedly rhe-

torical character. The different kinds of poetry (with the (719) exception of satire) were formed on Greek models, the <sup>A</sup> subjects being borrowed from the Greek mythology, and the lack of invention supplied by elaborate diction.

The *silver age*, from the death of Augustus to the reign of Hadrian, was distinguished by an attempt to surpass the elegance and sublimity of the classical period by means of exaggeration, refinement, and rhetorical bombast. This depraved taste was not merely displayed in poetry, which had now lost its simplicity and natural character, and in eloquence, the chief employment of the Romans, and the groundwork of all scientific instruction; but pervaded all their studies, and gave to the works of this period a declamatory character.

In the last, or *brazen age*, from A.D. 410 to 476, the <sup>B</sup> belles lettres [rejected almost all extraneous support, and] daily became more worthless and insignificant: subtle refinement, exaggeration, and the most ridiculous bombast in language and expression, now reigned in every department of literature, and drove good taste entirely out of the field.

#### A. Poetry.

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*a. The Epos.* The first attempts of the Romans in Epic poetry consisted partly of translations from Greek poems, especially those of Homer, and partly versified narratives of the wars and heroic deeds of the republic. Thus Ennius wrote an epic history of Rome from the most ancient times to those in which he lived (*Annales*, eighteen books), introducing at the same time the Hexameter metre into Roman literature. A more intimate <sup>C</sup> acquaintance with the correct and polished productions of the Alexandrian school directed epic poetry into two principal channels, viz. the historical and didactic epos. Both these departments were represented by P. Virgilius Maro (B.C. † 19), and the didactic by Ovidius Naso (A.D. † 17), in his *Ars amandi*, *Remedia amoris*, *Metamorphoseôn libri*, and *Fastorum libri*.

*b. The drama.*—In tragedy the Roman writers (Livius 721 Andronicus, Cn. Nævius, Ennius, Pacuvius, Attius, and <sup>D</sup> in Nero's time L. Annæus Seneca) distinguished themselves merely as polished translators or imitators of Greek models. In comedy, also, they confined themselves at first to the imitation or free translation of the so-called

- (721) New Comedy of the Greeks; as we find in the instances  
 A of M. Attius Plautus († 184) and P. Terentius Afer  
 (Terence: † 154).

That they had, however, also a Roman drama, strictly so called, is evident from the distinction between *comœdia togata* and *palliata*; the former being the national drama, the latter an imitation of the Greek models. One form of the *comœdia togata* was the *Mimes*, which represented, like the Atellan farces, only scenes of Roman life, but in more polished language, and with more of dramatic unity. By degrees language ceased to be essential to these *Mimes*, which degenerated into a mere exhibition of gesticulation, with dancing and music, termed *Pantomîmus*.

- 722 c. *Lyric poetry*, which developed itself at the period when Greek influence was predominant, always retained in some degree its character of being a mere imitation. The most remarkable performances in this department are the elegiac poems of Catullus, Tibullus, Propertius, Ovid, and the Odes and Epodes of Horace (B.C. † 8).

- 723 d. *Satire* is a species of poetry, purely Roman, origi-  
 B nating in an ancient popular theatrical representation, termed *Satura*, which was raised by C. Lucilius to the rank of a literary production. A more severe as well as polished character was given to satirical poetry by Q. Horatius Flaccus [Horace], who good humouredly exposes the perversities and absurdities of vice; whilst his graver successors (in the first century after Christ), Persius and Juvenalis [Juvenal], lash with extreme severity the gross immoralities of their time.

- 724 e. The *epigram* was introduced in the reign of Augustus, but the  
 C only complete collection which we possess of such poems is that of Martialis [Martial].

- 725 f. The *fable* and *Idyl* found few admirers. Phædrus published a Latin imitation of the Greek fables of Æsop, and Virgil of the Idyls of Theocritus.

- 726 B. Prose.

a. *History* (see page 200).

- D b. *Oratory* was the most distinguished and influential branch of Roman literature. At an early period Roman generals and statesmen, such as Brutus, Camillus, the elder Cato (in more than 150 speeches), the younger Scipio Africanus, and the younger Gracchus, were wont to influence their contemporaries by the force of natural eloquence, long before the introduction (in defiance of repeated decrees of

the senate) of a regular system of instruction in oratory, (726) by Greek rhetoricians. From this period a rhetorical and <sup>A</sup> philosophical education was the surest road to honour and influence. Among the distinguished orators who displayed their talents in the forum were Crassus, Antonius Orator, Hortensius, and above all M. Tullius Cicero (106—43), the great master of Roman eloquence.

With the decline of the republic, oratory lost its influence over the <sup>727</sup> government, and gradually confined its exhibitions to the courts of justice, and schools of rhetoric. The orations pronounced in honour <sup>B</sup> of the later emperors, in imitation of the panegyricus of Pliny on Trajan, display it in its most debased character. Besides the practice, the theory and history of eloquence were also taught (the former, in some measure, according to Greek systems), principally by Cicero and Quintilian.

c. The *letters* of Cicero and of his imitator, the younger Pliny, furnish us with much valuable information concerning the domestic life of the Romans, and the character of their contemporaries.

d. In *philosophy* the Romans confined themselves to the <sup>C</sup> study of the various Greek systems (especially those of the Academy, of Epicurus, and of the Stoa), and their eclectic application to practical life, especially as regarded oratory, without attempting the formation of any independent system. The philosophical writings of Cicero entitle him to the highest praise as the introducer and disseminator of the Greek philosophy at Rome.

In the earlier days of the monarchy, the most attractive system <sup>728</sup> seems to have been that of the stoa [or the *Stoic Philosophy*], to which Seneca, the tutor and counsellor of Nero, manifests a decided inclination in his numerous writings. In the second century, stoicism, which still found a worthy admirer in the emperor Marcus Aurelius, was compelled to give place to Neoplatonism.

e. Under this head we may also class *natural philosophy*. A most <sup>D</sup> valuable attempt to add to the results of Alexandrian learning by discoveries of his own, was made by the elder Pliny in his great encyclopædia, to which he gave the title of *Historia naturalis*. In the other *practical sciences* Rome possesses few writers of reputation.

f. *Jurisprudence*. At a very early period the Roman jurists (*jure consulti*) began to frame a system of legal science by examining the existing laws, reducing them to first principles, collecting precedents and authoritative legal maxims, &c., but it was not until the second and third centuries, that jurisprudence attained its highest degree of excellence under Gaius, Papinianus, Ulpianus, and Paulus, whose authority as jurists was confirmed by imperial edicts. Their writings were the groundwork of later compilations, especially of the *corpus juris civilis*, published by Justinian.

## 729 4. Arts.

- A *a. Architecture.* Under the kings, and for a considerable time after the establishment of the republic, the temples and other public works (circus, capitol, cloacæ, water-courses, military roads), were completed with the assistance of the Etruscans. After the subjugation of Sicily and Greece, and especially since the time of Sulla, the columns and statues brought from conquered countries served to adorn the Roman edifices; Greek artists also visited Rome, and the massive Etruscan masonry was partly superseded, and partly amalgamated with the columnar architecture of
- B Greece. In the latter days of the republic, and under the first emperors, the glory of Grecian art was revived at Rome, but its grand and majestic character was soon destroyed, especially after the time of the Antonines, by a load of meretricious ornament. In opposition to this superfluity of decoration, the Roman architects, about the time of Constantine the Great, fell into the contrary extreme of excessive, and almost rude, simplicity. For an account of the principal public buildings, see 433 (p. 212).
- C *b. Sculpture.* The earliest specimens of Roman art are of the coarsest material, generally wood or terra cotta. Bronze seems to have been employed from the year of the city 300, at first for statues of celebrated men, and soon afterwards for representations of the gods. The translation to Rome of the best specimens of Grecian art, from the conquered cities of Sicily, Macedonia, and Greece, succeeded, as it shortly was, by the arrival of a crowd of Grecian sculptors, improved in the highest degree the taste of the Roman artist. Notwithstanding, however, the eagerness with which he copied these Grecian models, enough of peculiarity still remained to give a decidedly Roman character to his productions.

- 730 The demand for works of art gained ground with the increasing taste for magnificence in public and private buildings. The decoration of the numerous edifices erected by Augustus and his friends, as well as by succeeding emperors until the reign of Commodus, employed a number of artists, whose names for the most part are unknown. After the time of the Antonines, works of art abounded, in the shape of statues of the emperors and their relatives, sarcophagi and urns in marble, alabaster, and other materials; but in all these productions there was a want of vigour, study, and system; nor has the name of a single artist of that date been handed down to posterity.

c. *Painting.* Until the reign of Augustus, the professors (730) of this art at Rome were almost exclusively Greeks, whose <sup>A</sup> pictures represented the triumphs of Roman generals, and mythological subjects. The fresco paintings so common in the time of the empire, were, for the most part, mere mechanical copies from ancient masters.

#### 5. Trade and manufactures.

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The Romans, like the Greeks, abandoned trade and manufactures to foreigners, freedmen, and slaves, as being employments unworthy the attention of free citizens. In the latter days of the republic, however, associations were formed by the knights for farming the revenue, transacting the business of bankers and money-changers, and conducting various commercial enterprizes. The trade of Rome <sup>B</sup> was entirely passive, no productions either of nature or art being exported to foreign countries. The imports were grain (from Sicily, the province of Africa, Egypt, Syria, Asia Minor, and Pontus), slaves, and, in the latter days of the republic, and under the emperors, various articles of luxury from India, Arabia, Syria, Egypt, &c.

### § 166. *Historico-Geographical View of the Roman Empire.*

#### A. European Countries.

1. Italia, as far as the Rubicon and the Alps, from 732 266. Gallia Cisalpina, which had been subjugated as early as the year 221, was considered a part of Italy in Cæsar's time (49), but Liguria and the dominions of the Carni, Istri, and Veneti were not included until the reign of Augustus.

2. Sicilia, with its circumjacent islands. The Carthage-<sup>c</sup> ginian portion from 241, the whole island from 210.

3. Sardinia and Corsica from 238.

4. Hispania treated as a province from 206, entirely subjugated in 19, divided into H. citerior or eastern, and H. ulterior or southern. The whole peninsula divided by Augustus into three provinces, Lusitania, Bætica, and Tarraconensis.

5. Gallia Transalpina. The province or country on <sup>D</sup> the southern coast from the Alps to the Pyrenees as early as the year 121; the remainder after the year 51. The

(732) whole country divided by Augustus into four provinces.

A a. G. Narbonensis. b. G. Aquitania. c. G. Lugdunensis. d. G. Belgica. The last of these provinces was subdivided in the time of the empire into three portions, Belgium proper, Germania superior on the Upper Rhine, and Germania inferior on the Lower Rhine.

6. Britannia Romana (or England with southern Scotland), from A.D. 85. Its frontier towards Britannia Barbara or Caledonia often varied, and was protected by walls and mounds. Divided by Septimius Severus into Britannia superior and inferior.

B 7. In north-western Germany the Batāvi, from the time of the campaigns of Drusus, and the Frisii and Chauci, until the Batavian war of liberation, were subject to the Romans, who reckoned also the Chatti and Cherusci among their vassals, until the defeat of Varus.

733 In south-western Germany. The Mattiaci between the Main and Taunus, and the inhabitants of the decumates agri were Roman vassals.

The agri extended eastwards from the upper Danube, and the lower Main to the limes transrhenanus, or great Roman line of fortification (a ditch protected by palisades), which ran from the Main across the Jaxt and Kocher, and joined the limes Rhæticus (devil's wall). This territory was perhaps acquired in Domitian's campaign against the Chatti, A.D. 84.

c 8. Rhætia (with Vindelicia), from the year 15.

9. Noricum, from 15.

10. Pannonia, conquered in 32, reduced to the condition of a province probably by Tiberius, divided into P. superior and inferior.

11. Mœsia, from 29, divided into M. superior and inferior.

12. Thracia, after its subjugation in the year 74, was still governed by tributary kings, until the reign of Claudius or Vespasian, when it became a Roman province.

D 13. Illyricum or Dalmatia. A part of the Illyrian coast was subdued in 228, and the whole country in 168 became a dependency of Rome. To this province were added the dominions of the Japydæ and Dalmatians (conquered in 33), and of the Liburni, who, it would appear, submitted voluntarily to the Romans.

734 The whole district was called the province of Dalmatia, from the name of that nation which had withstood the Romans longer than



any other. At a later period it was denominated Illyria. The (734)  
southern portion, or Illyria Græca, belonged to the province of Ma-  
cedonia. A

14. Macedonia, conquered in 168, a province in 148.  
Thessaly and Illyria added.

15. Epirus from 167.

16. Achaia, or central Greece, and the Peloponnesus,  
from 146.

17. Dacia, from A.D. 106 to 270.

18. Creta, 66, formed a province in conjunction with  
the empire of Cyrene, conquered in 96.

### B. Countries in Asia.

1. Asia Proconsularis, from 130, comprised Mysia, 735  
Lydia, Caria, and the greater part of Phrygia. B

2. Pamphylia, with the southern portion of Pisidia,  
from about 78. Lycia was added to this province by the  
emperor Claudius.

3. Cilicia (proper or eastern), from 75.

4. Cappadocia, from A.D. 18, to which was added the  
greater part of Pontus (governed until the reign of Nero  
by its own tributary kings), together with Armenia  
minor (by Tiberius).

5. Galatia (from 25), to which Augustus annexed c  
almost the whole of Paphlagonia.

6. Bithynia, from 75, to which Pompey added the  
districts of Pontus and Augustus, the western portion of  
Paphlagonia.

7. Armenia major, from A.D. 106—117, then under  
tributary kings until A.D. 363.

8. Mesopotamia, A.D. 106—117, then again 165—363.

9. Assyria, A.D. 106—117.

10. Syria with Phœniçe from 64, and Commagēnē d  
from the time of Tiberius. To this province was added  
Palæstīna (dependent from the year 63), as a part of  
the Roman province of Syria under procurators unin-  
terruptedly from the year of our Lord 44. Also Arabia  
Petræa, from A.D. 105.

11. Cyprus from 58.

12. The provincia insularum comprised, from the  
time of Vespasian, the islands of Lesbos, Samos, Chios,  
and Rhodes.

- 736 To the Romans were subject also the kings of Colchis  
A (or Lazica), and of the empire of the Bospōrus, on the  
Tauric Chersonēsus, after the conclusion of the third  
Mithridatic war, as well as the kings of Iberia, at least  
from the time of Trajan.

### C. African Countries.

- 737 1. Ægyptus, with the sandy line of coast, as far  
westward as Cyrēnē (from 30).  
2. Africa propria with Numidia. The Carthaginian  
portion (Zeugitana and Byzacium) from 146. Numidia  
(eastwards as far as the altars of the Philæni) from 46.  
The former was termed Old, the other New, Africa.  
B 3. Mauretania, or Mauritania, a province from the  
time of Claudius, divided into M. Tingitana (so named  
from the city of Tingis), and M. Cæsariensis, which derived  
its name from its ancient capital Cæsarea.

## CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE.

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**FIRST PERIOD.**—*From the rise of the most ancient states to the reign of Cyrus, B.C. 2000—558.*

**2000—1000.**

- B.C.  
 About } ABRAHAM. Nimrod. Ninns. Semiramis. Invasion of Egypt  
 000. } by Hyksos.  
 About } MOSES. *Return of the Israelites from Egypt to Palestine.*  
 1500. } Sesostris.  
 1194—1184. *The Trojan war.*  
 1104. *Migration of the Dorians, or Heraclidæ, to Peloponnesus.*  
 1095—975. MONARCHY IN PALESTINE. Saul, David, Solomon.  
 1068. Abolition of monarchy at Athens. Archons.

**1000—900.**

975. *Division of Palestine into the kingdoms of Judah and Israel.*

**900—800.**

880. *Lycurgus.* Carthage founded.

**800—700.**

776. First Olympiad.  
 753. ROME FOUNDED.  
 747. *Æra of Nabonassar.* The Babylonians and Medes throw off the Assyrian yoke.  
 722. Conquest of the kingdom of Israel by Salmanassar [Shalmaneser].

**700—600.**

656. Psammetichus sole monarch in Egypt.  
 624. Dracon legislator at Athens.  
 604. *Dissolution of the Assyrian empire.* Defeat of Necho near Circesium.

**600—500.**

594. *Solon* legislator at Athens.  
 586. Jerusalem destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar.  
 560. Pisistratus at Athens.  
 558. END OF THE MEDIAN, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PERSIAN, EMPIRE, BY CYRUS.

SECOND PERIOD.—*From Cyrus to the death of Alexander the Great,*  
B.C. 558—323.

B.C.

- 558—529. Cyrus.
- 538. Babylonia a Persian province.
- 529—522. Cambyzes.
- 525. Egypt a Persian province.
- 522. Pseudosmerdis.
- 521—485. Darius I.
- 510. Expulsion of the Pisistratidæ from Athens. Clisthenes.
- 509—30. ROME A REPUBLIC.
- 500—449. Insurrection of the Ionians.

500—400.

- 494. Secession of the plebs from Rome.
- 492—479. *Defensive war of the Greeks against the Persians.*
- 490. Victory of Miltiades at Marathon.
- 485—465. Xerxes I.
- 480. Battles of *Thermopylæ*, *Artemisium*, *Salamis*. The Carthaginians defeated by Gelon, near Himera.
- 479. Battles of *Platææ* and *Mycale*.
- 478—449. Aggressive war of the Greeks against the Persians.
- 477 (?). Transfer of the maritime Hegemony from Sparta to Athens.
- 469. Victory of Cimon on the Eurymedon.
- 465—424. Artaxerxes I.
- 465—456. *The third Messenian war.*
- 451—450. *Legislation of the decemviri at Rome.*
- 449. Battle at Salamis in Cyprus.
- 444. Rogations of the tribune C. Canuleius and his colleagues.
- 431—404. THE PELOPONNESIAN WAR.
- 430. The plague at Athens.
- 429. Pericles dies.
- 428. The island Lesbos revolts from Athens.
- 424. Xerxes II. Sogdianus.
- 424—405. Darius II. Nothus.
- 422. Cleon and Brasidas slain at Amphipolis.
- 421. Peace of Nisias.
- 418. Renewal of the war.
- 415—413. Enterprise of the Athenians against Sicily.
- 410. Victory of Alcibiades at Cyzicus.
- 407. Return of Alcibiades to Athens. His disgrace.
- 406. Callicratidas defeated off the Arginusian islands.
- 405. Lysander victorious at *Ægospotamos*.
- 405—362. Artaxerxes II.
- 404. *Athens taken by Lysander. The thirty tyrants.*
- 404—395. Last war of the Romans against Veii.
- 403. Expulsion of the thirty tyrants from Athens.
- 401. The younger Cyrus slain at Cunaxa.

## 400—300.

B.C.

394—387. *The Corinthian war.*

394. Lysander slain at Haliartus, Conon victorious at Cnidus.

389. The Romans defeated on the Allia. ROME TAKEN BY THE GAULS.

387. Peace of Antalcidas.

378—362. *War between Sparta and Thebes.*376. *The Lycian rogations* accepted in 336.371. Victory of Epaminondas and Pelopidas at *Leuctra*.366. The *prætura urbana*. The curule ædileship.

365. L. Sextius the first plebeian consul.

362. Epaminondas falls at *Mantineæ*.

362—338. Artaxerxes III.

359—336. Philip II. of Macedonia.

357—355. War of the confederates against Athens.

355—346. The Phocian, or holy war.

342—340. *First war of Rome with the Samnites.*

339—337. War of Rome with the Latins.

338. Philip II. defeats the Greeks at Chæronea.

336—330. Darius IV. Codomannus.

336—323. ALEXANDER THE GREAT.

334. Alexander defeats the Persians on the *Granicus*.

333. ————— at Issus.

332. ————— conquers Syria, Cyprus, Phœnicia, Palestine, Egypt.

331. ————— vanquishes the Persians at *Gaugamela*.

327—326. Alexander's expedition to Western India.

326—324. Return of Alexander to Babylon.

325—304. *Second war of Rome with the Samnites.*

323. Death of Alexander.

THIRD PERIOD.—*From the death of Alexander the Great, to the reign of Augustus, B.C. 323—30.*

323—322. The Samian war.

323—221. EGYPT FLOURISHES UNDER THE THREE FIRST PTOLEMIES.

321. Defeat of the Romans at *Caudium*.

314—301. Two wars of Antigonus with the satraps of the west.

312—64. THE SYRIAN EMPIRE UNDER THE SELEUCIDÆ.

309. Victory of Q. Fabius Maximus over the Etruscans at *Perusia*.301. *Antigonus defeated at Ipsus.*

## 300—200.

298—290. *Third war of Rome with the Samnites.*295. Victory of Q. Fabius Maximus over the Samnites and their allies at *Sentinum*.282—272. *War of Rome with Tarentum and Pyrrhus.*280. Pyrrhus victorious at *Heraclea*.

— Macedonia and Greece invaded by the Gauls.

— Formation of the Ætolian, and renewal of the Achæan league.

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B.C.

279. Pyrrhus victorious at Asculum.  
 275. ——— defeated at Beneventum.  
 266. *Italy completely subjected to Rome.*  
 264—241. FIRST PUNIC WAR.  
 260. First naval victory of the Romans, gained by C. Duilius, off *Mylæ*.  
 242. Victory of C. Lutatius Catulus at the *Ægæan* islands.  
 241. Sicily the first Roman province.  
 218—201. SECOND PUNIC WAR.  
 218. Hannibal victorious on the Ticinus and Trebia.  
 217. ———— Trasimene lake.  
 216. ———— at *Cannæ*.  
 212. Syracuse taken.  
 210. The whole of Sicily Roman.  
 207. Defeat of Hasdrubal on the Metaurus.  
 206. Spain a Roman province.  
 202. *Hannibal defeated at Zama.*

## 200—100.

- 200—133. Wars of the Romans in Spain.  
 197. T. Quinctius Flaminius defeats Philip III. at *Cynoscephalæ*.  
 196. T. Quinctius proclaims the freedom of Greece.  
 192—190. War of the Romans with Antiochus the Great, of Syria.  
 171—168. War of the Romans with Perseus.  
 167. Defeat of Perseus at Pydna.  
 — *The Jews revolt from Antiochus IV.*  
 167—39. The Jews under the Asmoneans or Maccabees.  
 150—146. THIRD PUNIC WAR.  
 148. Macedonia a Roman province.  
 146. *Carthage destroyed by Scipio Africanus Minor, and Corinth by Mummius.*  
 133. Numantia destroyed by Scipio Africanus Minor.  
 — *Agrarian law of Tib. Sempronius Gracchus.*  
 123—121. C. Sempronius Gracchus.  
 113. Invasion of Illyria by the *Cimbri*.  
 112—106. War of the Romans with Jugurtha.  
 102. Marius defeats the Teutones at Aquæ Sextiæ.  
 101. ——— the *Cimbri* at Vercellæ.

## From 100 to the birth of our Lord.

- 91—88. The Marsian war, or war of the *Confederates*.  
 88—82. CIVIL WAR BETWEEN MARIUS AND SULLA.  
 87—84. First war against Mithridates.  
 83. Return of Sulla to Rome.  
 82—79. *Sulla's dictatorship.*  
 74—64. Third war against Mithridates.  
 66—62. Catiline's conspiracy.  
 64. Syria a Roman province.  
 63. Catiline's conspiracy crushed by the consul, M. Tullius Cicero.  
 60. CÆSAR, POMPEY, AND CRASSUS ESTABLISH THE FIRST TRIUMVIRATE.

B.C.

- 58—51. *Cæsar conquers Gaul*, crosses the Rhine twice, visits Britain twice.  
 49—48. CIVIL WAR BETWEEN CÆSAR AND POMPEY.  
 48. Cæsar defeats Pompey at *Pharsalus*.  
 48—47. Cæsar's Alexandrian war.  
 47. Cæsar's war against Pharnaces.  
 46. Cæsar defeats the partizans of Pompey at Thapsus.  
       ———— the sons of Pompey at Munda.  
 44. CÆSAR ASSASSINATED.  
 44—43. The civil war of Mutina against Antony.  
 43. SECOND TRIUMVIRATE BETWEEN OCTAVIAN, ANTONY, AND LEPIDUS.  
 42. Brutus and Cassius defeated at Philippi.  
 39—A.D. 70. The Jews under the Herodians.  
 31—30. *War between Octavian and Antony*.  
 31. *Battle of Actium*.  
 30. AUGUSTUS EMPEROR.

FOURTH PERIOD.—*From the reign of Augustus to the fall of the western empire, B.C. 30—A.D. 476.*

- 30—A.D. 14. *C. Julius Cæsar Octavianus Augustus*.  
 4 (?) or 6. CHRIST BORN.  
 9. *Herman defeats Varus in the Teutoburgian forest*.  
 14—37. Tiberius.  
 37—41. Caligula.  
 41—54. Claudius.  
 54—68. Nero. Conflagration of Rome.  
 68—69. Galba, Otho, Vitellius.  
 69—79. Vespasian. Complete subjugation of Britain.  
 70. *Jerusalem destroyed by Titus*.  
 79—81. Titus. Eruption of Vesuvius, Herculaneum and Pompeii destroyed.  
 81—96. Domitian.  
 96—98. Nerva.  
 98—117. Trajan. Greatest extension of the Roman empire.  
 117—138. Hadrian. Restoration of Trajan's Asiatic conquests.  
 138—161. Antoninus Pius.  
 161—180. M. Aurelius Philosophus.  
 166—180. War of the Romans with the Marcomanni.  
 180—192. Commodus.  
 180—284. Decline of the empire under the usurped power of the Prætorian guard.  
 226—651. The new Persian empire.  
 284—305. First partition of the empire between Diocletian and Maximian. Two Cæsars.  
 324—337. CONSTANTINE THE GREAT, SOLE EMPEROR.  
 325. *The first œcumenical council at Nicœa*.  
 330 (?). *The imperial residence transferred to Byzantium*.  
 375. COMMENCEMENT OF MIGRATIONS OCCASIONED BY THE INVASION OF THE HUNS.

A.D.

395. THEODOSIUS DIVIDES THE EMPIRE between his sons Honorius and Arcadius.

410. *Rome sacked by Alaric.*

451. *Ætius and Theodoric I. defeat Attila in the Catalaunian fields.*

455. *Rome plundered by the Vandals.*

476. *Romulus Augustulus deposed. Odoacer king of Italy.*



## QUESTIONS.

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\* *The most remarkable forms of the year.*

- [2] DESCRIBE the variable solar year of the *Egyptians*. What  
 C form of year are the *Chaldeans* and *Babylonians* generally supposed to have adopted? Into what kind of months did all  
 D the Semitic nations probably divide their years? Did the Athenian year consist of *lunar* or *solar* months? What *intercalations* took place? Are the Athenians the only Greek nation with whose chronology we are fully acquainted? How was their month divided? When did their day begin? What form of year did the Romans use under Romulus?  
 A What under Numa? How often was an intercalary month added? When and by whose authority was the solar year adopted by the Romans? How was the Roman month subdivided? How were the days of a Roman month reckoned?  
 B What were *Nundinæ*? When did the day begin? What calendar did the Christians use? What division of time did the Christians borrow from the Jews? What did the council of Nicaea decide with respect to Easter? In the middle ages was  
 C the beginning of the year uniform in different nations? When was the 1st of January made the invariable commencement? By whom was the Julian calendar amended? What amount of error had accumulated, when the '*new style*' was adopted? What Christian nation still reckon their time according to the  
 D Julian calendar (the old style)? How do the *Mahometans* reckon their time? Describe their year. Do they reckon the day from sunset or from sunrise? Describe the *Republican calendar of the French*.

\* *The most important historical æras.*

- [3] What was the æra of Nabonassar? Give the dates of the  
 A destruction of the first Temple, the Seleucian æra, that of the Maccabees, and the æra of the world. What is meant by an Olympiad? With what year B.C. does the beginning of the first Olympiad coincide? When did this mode of computing time come into general use among the Greeks? Did it supersede the  
 B more ancient mode of naming the year after some person in authority? After whom was the year named at Sparta? at Athens? Among the *Romans* what was the only æra recognized in public proceedings? When did the æra ab

- urbe condita* come into general use? Give the *Varronian* and the *Catonian* date of the founders of Rome. What was the
- C æra of the *Seleucidæ*? Amongst whom is this æra still in use? How did the *Christians of the West* in the first centuries distinguish the year? On what was the *Indiction-Cycle* founded?
- D Who invented the æra *from the birth of CHRIST*? What amount of error was probably made in fixing the year of our Lord's birth? What æra is still in use among the *Coptic* and
- E *Abyssinian Christians*? Among the *Mahometans* what æra is used? With what day of what year does this æra commence?
- A What method of computation has been in general use since the middle of the eighteenth century.

### § 6. HISTORY OF THE ISRAELITES.

#### I. *From Adam to Noah.*

- [11] Give the probable date of the creation. By what was the
- B sentence of our first parents' expulsion from *Paradise* alleviated? How did the sons of Adam employ themselves? Who
- C first offered sacrifice? and what was the probable origin of that rite? How was the union of the first family dissolved? Who
- A built the first city? By what is the Bible account of the deluge confirmed? Who escaped the otherwise universal destruction
- B of the flood? How were these persons saved?

#### II. *From Noah to Abraham.*

- [12] Where did Noah's descendants settle? What caused their
- C dispersion? Over what countries did the descendants of Shem spread themselves? What countries were peopled by the descendants of *Japheth*? what by the children of *Ham*? What was the only family in which the knowledge and worship of the one true God were not entirely lost? From whom was Abraham descended? What was the first command that Abraham received from God? What was promised on the condition of his
- D obedience? What was the land of his fathers, which he quitted? In what respect did the original promise of a Saviour now become more definite?

#### III. *From Abraham to the Conquest of Palestine.*

- [13] With whom did Abraham enter the land of Canaan? What
- B circumstance soon compelled them to a separation? Where did Lot settle? What cities were overthrown by God, as a monument of his vengeance against sinners? When these guilty cities were overthrown, what did the plain in which they stood
- C become? Who was ancestor of the idolatrous *Moabites* and *Ammonites*? Who were the parents of *Ishmael*? Why was *Isaac* called the son of promise? What great and mysterious
- D trial of his faith did Abraham undergo? How was his faith rewarded? By what rite was every male of Abraham's family to be incorporated into the covenant made between him and God? What became of *Ishmael*? Who became the heir of
- A Abraham's possessions? Who were Isaac's children? Of what profane act was *Esau* guilty? Of whom did he become

- the ancestor ! After Isaac's death, who became the head of the Israelitish family ! Give the history of his favorite son Joseph.
- B Into what country, and into what district of that country, did Jacob migrate with his family ! Under whose command, and
- D when, did the Israelites quit Egypt ! Give an account of Moses. Who was Aaron ! How was the army of the Israelites
- A guided ! How did the Israelites cross the Red Sea ! Where did Moses deliver to the people a code of laws ! How did God punish their faithlessness and disobedience ! How were Moses and Aaron punished for having on one occasion failed to sanctify *Jehovah before the people* ?

\* *The Mosaic Laws.*

- [14] By whom were the Mosaic laws given to Moses ! \* What
- B parts are especially mentioned as having been so given ! \* What confirmations of ancient patriarchal usages do the Mosaic laws contain ! \* What is the first principle of religious worship as
- C laid down in the laws of Moses ! \* How was the *presence* of the Almighty indicated to the Jews ! \* In what way might that presence not be represented ! \* Describe generally the tabernacle. \* What tribe were charged with the administration of all that related to public worship ! \* To what family was the
- D priesthood itself confined ! \* Who discharged the lowest offices connected with public worship ! \* What duties were performed by the Levites besides those that related to the *ceremonial* worship ! \* Where did the Levites dwell ! and how were they supported ! \* Who was the supreme judge ! \* What did the
- A High Priest do on the great Day of Atonement ! \* What was the object of the *Sabbath* ! \* Explain the terms *Sabbatical Year* and the year of *Jubilee*. \* What took place in the year
- B of Jubilee ! \* At what three annual festivals were all the males required to visit the place where the ark of God was deposited ! \* Describe the object, &c. of the *Passover* (*Paschah*). \* Of the *Feast of Weeks*, or *πεντηκοστή*. \* Of the *Feast of*
- C *Tabernacles*. \* By what yearly penitential observance was their dependence on Jehovah especially recalled ! \* What was the *Feast of Trumpets* ! \* Where were the *sacrifices* offered ! \* And into what *kinds* were they divided ! \* Besides these sacrifices, what were the Israelites required to bring before the Lord !
- D \* Mention some other religious observances. \* What was the *political constitution* of the Israelites ! How were the people divided ! \* How were the tribes governed ! and what did *each* tribe form ! \* To whom was the whole nation subject ! \* Who governed it as his visible representative ! \* On what extraordinary occasions were the people called together ! \* For what case was a special provision found in the Mosaic law ! \* Describe the administration of justice after the conquest of Palestine. \* For what offences was the punishment of *death* inflicted ! \* How was this punishment inflicted ! \* Mention the other punishments and penalties inflicted by the Jewish code. \* Was any (and, if so, what) escape provided for one who had killed his neighbour without malice prepense ! \* Who were

- required to serve in the army? • How was it divided? • What regulations were made with respect to sieges? • What regulation was made for the avoidance of idolatry? • What life were the Israelites required to lead? • What social virtues were strictly enjoined by the law?

Who succeeded Moses, and how was his commission ratified? How many princes of the Canaanites did this leader subdue? How was the land of Canaan divided? After whom were the tribes named?

IV. *From the Conquest of Palestine to the establishment of the Monarchy. Period of the Judges.*

- [15] How were the twelve tribes united into one federal commonwealth? Where was the tabernacle first pitched in Canaan? Where was the general assembly held? What great command of God was in a great measure disregarded? Who were the Judges? Mention some of them. Who founded the Schools of the Prophets? How came the Israelites to desire to have a visible king? Who was highly displeased at this request? Did God accede to their demand? Who was anointed to be king over Israel?

V. *From the establishment of the Monarchy to the separation of the two kingdoms.*

- [16] What oath did Saul take when he received the homage of the Israelites? What tribes did he subdue? What prohibition did he disregard in the case of the Amalekites? Of what previous violation of God's law had he been guilty? Who was then privately anointed to be the future king of Israel? Give some account of this future king's youth. How came he to be persecuted by the jealousy of the king? How did Saul end his life? Was David at once acknowledged by all the tribes? What city did David choose to be the royal residence? Where was the ark of the covenant now placed? For what purpose was the booty taken in David's wars set aside? Did he execute his plan? Describe David's conquests and the extent of his kingdom. Describe the splendour of his court and monarchy.
- [17] How was the wisdom of Solomon displayed? What was his great work? By what artizans, and in what time, was the temple finished? How was it divided? What did Solomon build besides the temple? With whom did Solomon renew a commercial league? What countries did his fleet probably visit? In what did his love of magnificence and luxury manifest itself?
- [18] How did Solomon alienate the affections of his people? By whom was a conspiracy organized against him? What countries fell off from Solomon?

- [18] What schism took place under Rehoboam? What tribes  
 B formed the kingdom of Judah? and what the kingdom of  
 Israel? What modes of false worship did the Israelites gene-  
 rally adopt?

VI. *The Kingdoms of Judah and Israel.*

- [19] What was the capital of the kingdom of Israel? To what  
 D year did it last, and under how many kings? By whom were  
 the idolatrous kings opposed? What Assyrian king took most  
 A of the cities of Israel by storm? Who put an end to the king-  
 dom of Israel? What mixture of tribes produced the Sama-  
 ritans? To what year and under how many princes did the  
 B kingdom of Judah last? Mention the country or countries to  
 which the kingdom of Judah became tributary.

VII. *The Israelites under the rule of the Persians.*

- [20] By whom and after how many years of exile were the Jews  
 D permitted to return to their own land? What other favour did  
 this prince show them? How many at first returned to Palestine?  
 To whom was the administration of civil affairs principally left?  
 During the reigns of Cambyzes and Smerdis, was any (and, if  
 A so, what) progress made in building of the Temple? Under  
 whose reign was the second Temple completed? By whom and  
 under what leaders was the colony established in Judæa?

§ 7. *Literature, Arts, and Sciences.*

- [21] To whom was the *learning* of the Hebrews in early times  
 B confined? In what did it consist? In what does the poetry of  
 C the Israelites differ from all other national poetry? Into what  
 D classes, as to *form*, may their poems be divided? What *arts* did  
 A not flourish among the Jews? What art did flourish? Had  
 the Jews any *foreign trade*?

§ 9. *Fragments of the Ancient History of India.*

- [29] What Indian expeditions are quite legendary? What is  
 D known of India before the time of Alexander? What forms of  
 government did Alexander find in the Punjáb? What go-  
 A vernors did he place over the conquered provinces? What  
 native prince expelled the governors appointed by Alexander?  
 What extent of empire did this prince found? By whom was  
 it finally destroyed? Enumerate the other nations or tribes  
 who established dynasties in India.

§ 10. *Religion, political Condition, Literature, &c. of the ancient  
 Indians.*

- [30] In what principles does the Brahminical religion appear to  
 C consist? What are the two forms of popular worship which  
 arose in Northern India with Brahmaism?  
 • What are the so-called deities that form the Trinity of Indian  
 D mythology? • Which of the Indian deities is said to have as-  
 sumed the human form? • How many *incarnations* of this sup-

posed deity are asserted to have occurred! \* What are the religious observances of the followers of Brahma? \* Amongst whom does the practice of burning widows prevail?

- [31] What is the date of the *Buddhist* reformation? Who effected this reformation? What was believed concerning him?
- B What institutions or practices did he reject? Give some general account of the progress of the *Buddhist* reformation.
- [32] What form of government prevailed amongst the Hindoos? Was the sovereignty hereditary or elective? Describe the tenure of land. \* State generally what is known with respect to the administration of the government.
- [33] Enumerate, each in its order, the four castes into which the people were divided. Describe the privileges of the first caste. What office could only be held by one who belonged, by birth, to the second caste?
- [34] Under what title are the *sacred writings* of the Hindoos comprehended? What compositions stand at the head of these?
- C Of what do the remainder treat? With what do the sacred writings conclude? \* What is known of the progress of the Hindoos in science? \* For what are we indebted to them?
- A \* Name their most famous *epics*. \* What is known of the Indian drama? \* Who was the most renowned dramatic writer? \* About what time did he flourish?
- [35] ART.—*Architecture*. What are the principal monuments of Indian architecture? What are the most famous subterraneous temples? and rock-temples? In what respects do the ancient buildings of India *often*, and in what *nearly always*, surpass the monuments of Egypt? By what law was the attainment of excellence in *sculpture* rendered almost impossible? What is known of their progress in *painting*? What of their attainments in *music*?
- [36] COMMERCE.—How was the *home traffic* of the Hindoos carried on? What were the principal markets for domestic produce?
- B Give a general notion of their *foreign trade*: 1. to the *North-East*; 2. to the *East*; 3. to the *West*. \* What were the principal exports?

### § 12. *History of the Babylonians.*

- [42] Which was the more ancient state, Babylon or Assyria?
- C Who was the founder of Babylon? About what period was it founded? \* Whom do the *Greeks* mention as the founders of the Babylonian and Assyrian empires respectively?
- [43] How many dynasties were there from the deluge to the Persian conquest? What was the duration of the sixth? Does the statement of Berosus with regard to the sixth receive any support from Herodotus? By whose assistance were the Babylonians delivered from the Assyrian domination? When did the æra of Nabonassar begin? Did the Assyrians attempt to repossess themselves of Babylon? Who put an end to the Assyrian empire? What countries were comprehended in the western portion of the empire? Who overthrew the invader Necho near Carchemish? What city is supposed to be the

Carchemish of the Scriptures ? Who succeeded Nabopolassar ?

- c In his pursuit of the *Egyptians*, how far did this monarch advance ? Why did Nebuchadnezzar lay siege to the city of Jerusalem ? How long did the city withstand him ? Give the date of the city's destruction. Who was the king of Judah at this time ? How were he and his captive subjects treated ?
- D What became of those who remained in Judah ? Why did Nebuchadnezzar wage war against the *Phœnicians* ? What great undertakings did he enter upon after his return ?

- [44] \* During Nebuchadnezzar's madness by whom was the government administered ? \* In what way did this queen show her activity and ambition ? Who was the last king of Babylon, and what is the name given to him by Herodotus ? What means did Cyrus employ to effect the fall of Babylon ? To what condition was Babylon reduced ?

### § 13. *Religion, Literature, &c. of the Babylonians.*

- [45] What was the religion of the Shemites, and of the ancient Asiatics generally ? What is meant by the religion of nature ? How does the religion of the Hebrews differ from that of nature ? What is the most common idea of the Godhead among Asiatic nations, who profess the religion of nature ? Which is the active and which the passive power of nature ? What seems to have occasioned the grammatical distinction of genders, as applied to inanimate objects ? What may be considered a later step in the development of material religion ? What is the last step in this notion ? Who were generally the guardian deities of cities ? Who held the first rank among the Shemitic divinities ? Give the signification of the word Babel.

- [46] \* Of the five planets, which were considered beneficent powers ? \* which destructive ? and which varied according to his position ? \* Did the Chaldeans place great reliance on their position, rising, and setting ?

- [47] What honours did the king of kings receive from his people ? D Did he govern responsibly ? How was the empire divided, and how governed ? Who were termed pre-eminently "Chaldeans ?" Who were the sole possessors of all the learning of those days ? How was it communicated to members of their own caste ?

- [48] What were the advantages of Babylon as a place of trade ? A \* How was the *land trade* carried on ? \* with what countries *eastward* and *westward* ? \* What were their exports to these countries ? \* How was the *trade on the Euphrates* carried on ? \* How was the *maritime commerce* carried on ? \* and with what countries ?

- [49] What were the principal arts and manufactures of the Babylonians ?

### § 15. *History of the Assyrians.*

- [52] Who was the founder of the Assyrian empire ? About what period was the Assyrian empire founded ? How far did Semi-

- c ramis push her conquests! \* What was the amount of the forces which she marched against the Indians, and what the result of the expedition!
- [53] Who succeeded Semiramis! When did Sardanapalus ascend the throne! What was the result of the insurrection of the Babylonians and Medes against this monarch! Did the Assyrian empire still continue to subsist! Does there exist any record of the kings who succeeded Sardanapalus! \* Who compelled the Israelites to pay tribute!
- [54] Under what king, and about what period, did the Babylonians revolt! How were the Assyrians indemnified for this loss!
- c Why did Salmanassar destroy the kingdom of Israel! What became of the Israelites afterwards! What was the next conquest of this king! Was the siege of Tyre successfully conducted! \* Does the historian Ctesias's account of the dissolution of the Assyrian empire correspond with that given in the Bible!
- A About what period did Sennacherib ascend the throne! What success had Sennacherib against Judah! Who succeeded Sennacherib! About what period! Who was the last king of Assyria! Who formed an alliance against Assyria! and with what success! How long did the Scythians keep possession of Media! About what time was Nineveh utterly destroyed!

#### § 16. *Religion, Literature, &c. of the Assyrians.*

- [55] Were the Assyrians remarkable for their civilization! How far did their religion resemble that of the Babylonians! What political constitution did the Assyrian constitution resemble!

#### § 18. *History of the Medes.*

- [59] In what author is the earliest mention of the Medes found!
- A In whose reign did the Medes emancipate themselves from the dominion of the Assyrians, to whom they had become subject! Who first became king of the whole nation! How long did he reign! What city did he build! Who succeeded Deioces! What nation did he subdue! What became of him! Who succeeded Phraortes! What improvements did this prince introduce in the army! With what king did he form an alliance!
- c Who defeated Cyaxares! How far did their conquests extend! \* Whilst the Scythians were dominant in Asia, against whom was Cyaxares carrying on a war! What was the pretence for this aggression! How was the war terminated!
- [60] Against whom did Cyaxares turn his arms at the departure of the Scythians! Who succeeded Cyaxares! How did he lose Persia! Was he successful against the rebels!
- [61] Give Herodotus's account of the relation which Cyrus bore to Astyages. According to Ctesias, was Cyrus related to Astyages! How did Cyrus treat Astyages! What is Xenophon's account! What confirmation do we receive of this account!



§ 19. *Religion, Literature, &c. of the Medes.*

- [62] What was the religion of the Medes? Who was the author  
 c of this doctrine? Into how many parts was the Zend-Avesta  
 divided? How many have reached us?
- [63] What are the principal doctrines taught in the Zend-Avesta?  
 B State the moral precepts taught in the Zend-Avesta. Into how  
 many castes were the people divided? Name them. Was  
 there any limit to the king's power?
- [64] To whose care was the code of laws entrusted? How can  
 the great influence of these persons be accounted for? Had  
 c they any temples? Could the king's ordinances be recalled?  
 \* For what were the Median stuffs celebrated? \* With whom  
 were they the favorite dress?

§ 21. *History of the Persians.*

- [75] On what account were the Persians partly Nomades and  
 c partly agriculturists? How many castes does Herodotus enu-  
 merate, as governing the inferior castes and supplying the higher  
 offices of state? Which was the most distinguished of these castes?  
 After the Persians had been subdued by the Median king  
 Phraortes, did they retain their own kings? Name the first  
 king. Who was the father, and who the grandfather of Cyrus?
- [76] What was the original name of Cyrus? How did he become  
 D lord of the whole Persian empire? Who was king of Lydia at  
 that time? What success had Croesus in his attempt to avenge  
 himself on Cyrus for the expulsion of his brother-in-law, Asty-  
 A ages? Whom did Cyrus send to subdue the Greek cities on the  
 coast of Asia Minor? On what terms were these cities ready to  
 pay tribute? Did all the Greek cities receive tyrants? What  
 B became of the Phocians? Was Harpagus successful in this  
 expedition against the Greek cities?
- [77] What were the triumphs of Cyrus himself? What liberty  
 c was granted by Cyrus to the Jews? \* How many different  
 accounts are there of the death of Cyrus? \* State the sub-  
 stance of them. Who was nominated the successor of Cyrus?  
 Who was appointed viceroy of the eastern portion of the empire?  
 Where was Cyrus buried?
- [78] When did Cambyzes begin to reign? How long did his reign  
 A last? What additions did Cambyzes make to the countries  
 already subdued by his father? \* Why did he undertake the  
 expedition against Egypt and Libya? \* What king did he take  
 prisoner, and how did he treat him? \* What nations sur-  
 rendered themselves voluntarily to the conqueror?
- [79] How was the plan of Cambyzes for extending his conquests  
 B in Africa rendered abortive? What became of the forces which  
 c he had raised for this purpose? \* On his return to Memphis,  
 what insult did he offer to the worshippers of the god Apis?  
 \* How did he treat his brother Smerdis? \* Give an account of  
 D his other extravagant acts. Where did Cambyzes die?
- [80] Who succeeded Cambyzes? Who was the Pseudo-Smerdis or  
 False-Smerdis? How did he endeavour to render his usurpa-

- A tion popular? How was the usurper's reign put an end to? What festival was instituted in commemoration of this event?
- [81] How came Darius to be king of Persia? Whose son was he? Trace the pedigree of Darius up to Cyrus the great grandson of Achæmènes. What improvements did Darius introduce into the government?
- [82] \* What were the duties of the satraps? \* By whom were they assisted? \* How do you account for the rapidity of royal mandates? \* How were the civil and military administration of each province, as well as the cultivation of the land, managed?
- C \* How was the tribute paid? \* What were the sources of the revenue? \* How did the inferior officials receive their remuneration? \* How were those of higher rank rewarded? \* How were the wants of the most exalted personages supplied? In what direction did Darius extend his conquests? and why? \* To whom did Darius grant the power of liberating Samos?
- [83] Give an account of the *reduction of the revolted province of Babylon*. What reward did Zopyrus receive for his services?
- C Describe the *expedition against the Scythians*. Who were left in charge of the bridge over the Ister? What service did Histæus render Darius? What submission did Amyntas offer to Megabazus? Where did Darius next turn his arms? Who was previously despatched into that country?
- [84] About what period did the Persian wars with Greece commence? How did Histæus become an object of suspicion to the king? On his recall to Susa, who was appointed tyrant of Miletus? What rendered the security of this appointment precarious? What success attended the combined efforts of Aristagoras and Histæus against the Persian government? What circumstance hastened the commencement of the Persian war?
- [85] Who conducted the *first expedition* of the Persians against Greece? What happened to this commander's fleet and army? Did Darius invade Greece a second time? Under whose advice did he act? Who commanded the expedition? What was its date? Where did they first sail? Where was the battle fought between the generals of Darius and the Athenians? What were the numbers of the respective forces? Who commanded the Athenians? What was the result of the battle? Did Darius attempt to invade Greece a third time? Who did? Where did his land and naval forces assemble? \* Give a summary of the principal events during the march of this vast army.
- [86] Where did Xerxes first encounter a firm resistance? Who withstood him? Who betrayed this brave band? How did Xerxes wreak his vengeance on Athens? What was the result of the battle of Artemisium? Where was the Persian fleet totally defeated? Give the date of this battle. What became of Xerxes? Who was left in charge of the Persian army?
- [87] What battles were fought? With what success? In which was Mardonius slain? In these two engagements who commanded the Athenians and Lacedæmonians respectively? After these successes what course did the Greeks take? Who

- c won the battle of Eurymædon? How did Xerxes meet with his end? Who succeeded him?
- [88] Give an account of the Persian war with the Egyptians and Greeks. Who commanded the Grecian fleet?
- [89] Why did Megabyzus throw off his allegiance to Artaxerxes?
- A Account for the frequent revolts of the satraps. What tended to extinguish the once martial spirit of the Persians? Who succeeded Xerxes?
- B How long did he reign? Who succeeded Xerxes II.?
- C Who succeeded Sogdianus? Why was his reign marked by repeated revolts of the satraps? How long did the Egyptians retain the independence which they asserted successfully in this reign? Who succeeded Darius II.?
- [90] Who endeavoured to establish his right to the succession? On what grounds? Under what pretext did he march against the reigning monarch? Who supported him? Who warned Artaxerxes of Cyrus's real intentions? What battle was fought?
- A In what year? What became of the Greek auxiliaries? Who commanded them in their retreat?
- [91] What was the reward of Tissaphernes for his timely information to the king? Who made considerable progress in the liberation of the Asiatic Greeks? How were his plans frustrated? What was his policy? What Spartan general fell at Haliartus? Who took the command in the Corinthian war? Where did Conon defeat the Lacedæmonians? What became of the Greeks of Asia Minor during the peace of Antalcidas?
- C \* Why did the attempt to reconquer Egypt miscarry? \* Who poisoned Artaxerxes II.? \* and who succeeded Artaxerxes II.?
- [92] Did this prince succeed in suppressing the revolt of the Phœnicians and Egyptians? Who was king of Egypt? What became of him? Who poisoned Artaxerxes and all his sons except one?
- B Who succeeded him? What was his fate? Who succeeded Arses? What was the fate of Bagoas? Enumerate the three great victories of Alexander over Darius. Give the three dates respectively. Who murdered Darius? \* What were the causes of the decline of the Persian empire?
- [93] Give some account of the religion of the Persians.
- [94] From whom was the Persian constitution borrowed? What was its character? Was there any limit to the power of the "Great King?" From whom did he receive tribute? Where were his palaces situated? Through whom were all communications conveyed to the king? Who exercised an influence over the administration of public affairs, and even over the succession to the throne? What was deemed necessary to secure the possession of conquered countries? Was the constitution allowed to remain unchanged? How was their dependence on Persia recognized?
- [95] To what was the Persian literature confined? Have any remains of Persian architecture been discovered?

### § 25. *Fragments of Phœnician History.*

- [101] To what race did the Phœnicians belong? Who alone withstood the invasions of the Nomadic tribes and the Israelites?

- B Who was king of Tyre in the days of Solomon? When did Tyre and Sidon become separated?
- [102] \* What mention is made of Sidon by Homer? \* For what was it famous and also notorious? \* Name its earliest foreign settlements. \* Why did Nebuchadnezzar destroy Sidon? \* Did it become again prosperous? \* What led to its ruin a second time?
- [103] \* Was Tyre or Sidon the older city? \* At how early a period did Tyre become remarkable for its wealth and power? \* To whom was Solomon indebted for assistance in building the Temple? \* Who founded Carthage? \* About what time? \* Against whom did Tyre maintain its independence?
- [104] Under the Persian dominion did the Phœnician cities retain their own kings? If so, on what conditions? Did the Phœnicians assist in any of the Persian and Grecian wars? What effect had the fame of Alexander's arms on the cities of Phœnicia generally? How long did Tyre hold out against Alexander? What damaged the future prosperity of Tyre?

§ 26. *Religion, &c. of the Phœnicians.*

- [105] Why are we to consider the religion of the Phœnicians as a subject of unusual importance? Describe their religion. Why were the sun and moon worshipped? What names did they give to the sun? What suggested to them the idea of separate deities? How did they believe that the supreme Being governed the world? Who was this manifestation of Baal?
- [106] Enumerate some of the principal inventions of the Phœnicians.
- [107] Was their maritime trade extensive? What was this owing to? Name the chief goals of their maritime enterprise. What were the chief imports? Which of their voyages were kept secret? What voyage did the king of Egypt prevail on them to undertake? \* What obstructed the commercial intercourse of the Greeks and Phœnicians? \* What Phœnician articles were imported by the Greeks? \* Give a general account of their Arabian and Egyptian land traffic. \* What was imported by them from Palestine and Syria? \* What from Armenia and the Caucasian countries? \* By what means was the trade of Phœnicia principally carried on?
- [108] What are we to understand by the term Tyrian purple? For what other manufactures were the Tyrians celebrated?

§ 28. *History of the Kingdom of Lydia.*

- [119] Who were the original inhabitants of Lydia? Into how many dynasties is the history of the Lydian sovereigns divided? State the extent of the conquests of Crœsus. What caused the ruin of this monarch?
- [120] In the conversation between Crœsus and Solon the Athenian, whom did the latter pronounce the happiest of men? What battle took place between Crœsus and Cyrus, and with what result? How was the life of Crœsus saved on two occasions? How, and by whom, was Cyrus advised to secure the subjection of the Lydians?
- [121] What history remains to us of the other states?

## AFRICA.

- [122] By what name was Africa known to the Greeks? How  
 c much of it was known to them? Give a general account of the  
 peculiar features of this quarter of the globe. What are the  
 a principal disadvantages it has to contend with? What are the  
 great obstacles to communication with the interior? What  
 progress has Africa made in civilization?

§ 34. *The State of Meroe.*

- [130] Give a summary account of the history of the ancient states  
 B of Meroe. How soon did it attain considerable importance?  
 c What was the advantage of its position? When did the power  
 of its priests cease? What traces were there of this kingdom  
 in Nero's time?
- [131] What was the character of the Ethiopian religion? How is  
 A the similarity between the Ethiopian and Egyptian systems of  
 worship testified? In what respect did the religion of the  
 Ethiopians resemble the religion of Brahma? Under what con-  
 stitution did the Ethiopians live? How was the power of the  
 B monarch restricted? What ruins of Temples are found in  
 Ethiopia? What difference is observable in the style of the  
 ancient and the more recent Ethiopian Temples? Do the  
 Ethiopian works of art bear any resemblance to the Egyptian?  
 c For what countries was Meroe the great centre of traffic?  
 \* How was this traffic conducted? \* Which were the three  
 principal establishments of the priestly caste?

§ 36. *History of the Egyptians.*

- [142] Who founded the most ancient states of Egypt? Which was  
 c the most ancient and the mightiest? During the period anterior  
 to Sesostris how many dynasties are said to have filled the  
 throne? \* Who is generally supposed to have been the first  
 A king? \* Who built Memphis? \* How many sovereigns followed  
 him? \* Who was the builder of Thebes and Osimandyas?  
 \* How early did Abraham found a kingdom established in Upper  
 Egypt? \* Where did Joseph probably live when in Egypt?
- [143] What was the most important event of the first period?  
 Who are the Hyksos supposed to have been? What accounts  
 B for the blank in the early history of Egypt? Who expelled the  
 Hyksos? \* To whom does Herodotus ascribe the excavation of  
 the lake Mœris and the building of its two pyramids? \* What  
 colonies were established about this period? \* Were the  
 Israelites then in Egypt?
- [144] How are the mighty conquests ascribed by tradition to  
 c Sesostris limited by Herodotus? How did the range of his  
 A reputation become extended? Mention the chief acts for im-  
 proving the country introduced by this monarch. Did his suc-  
 cessors long retain the territory acquired in Asia and Europe?  
 How far did the authority of the later Pharaohs extend?
- [145] What Egyptian king is mentioned as having made war on  
 B Rehoboam?

- [146] Give the date of Sabaco's invasion of the country. How  
 c did the warrior-caste treat Sethos? and why? How was the  
 D invader compelled to raise the siege? How was Egypt go-  
 A verned after Sethos? How long did the Dodecarchy last?  
 Who re-established the monarchy? By whom was he assisted?
- [147] How did Psammetichus offend the warrior-caste? What  
 B was the consequence of this quarrel? From this period who  
 C formed the flower of the Egyptian army? How long did the  
 siege of Azotus last? What city became the usual residence of  
 the sovereign? From whom did the caste of the interpreters  
 spring?
- [148] Who succeeded Psammetichus? What body of troops did  
 D this prince encourage? What great canal project was attempted  
 in this reign? What expedition did he undertake, and with what  
 success? How did he carry out the plans of conquest set on foot  
 by his father? Who circumnavigated Africa about this time?
- [149] Who succeeded Necho? What expedition did he under-  
 A take?
- [150] Who succeeded Psammis? How did he show his warlike  
 disposition? What accusation was brought against Apries?  
 B What became of Apries?
- [151] Who was then called to the throne? Why was this prince  
 lightly esteemed? How did he endeavour to propitiate the  
 C priesthood? How did he establish his authority on a firm basis?  
 When did he die?
- [152] Who succeeded him? What was Egypt reduced to under  
 this prince?
- [153] What excited a spirit of national hatred against the Persians?  
 A How was it rendered comparatively easy for the Egyptians to  
 throw off their allegiance to Persia? In whose reigns were the  
 efforts to throw off the Persian yoke made? What success  
 attended them? When did Egypt become a Macedonian pro-  
 vince?

### § 37. Religion, &c. of the Egyptians.

- [154] Did the *objects of worship* differ in different Nomes? Mention  
 B some of the animals which were objects of worship; and the  
 care that was taken of them. Name the *inanimate objects* of wor-  
 C ship. Enumerate the *local divinities*. Did the religion of the  
 priests differ from that of the people? On what peculiar notion  
 A did their belief in the immortality of the soul depend? What  
 excluded the dead from being admitted into the realms of the  
 blessed? How was the right to these honours ascertained?  
 Were there any oracles?
- [155] What do the Nomes appear originally to have been?
- [156] What were the seven castes? Where had the *priestly caste*  
 B its principal stations? How was the hierarchy supplied with  
 priests? What offices were filled by the priestly caste? How  
 was their income derived? What do you observe further of them?  
 C Where were the *warrior-caste* settled? and why? Of what  
 D did the army consist? Where were the *herdsmen* settled? What  
 A is known about the caste of the *swineherds*? What did the *caste*

of *tradesmen* comprise? Were these employments hereditary or not? What caste was of especial importance? Who formed the medium of communication between the Egyptians and foreigners?

- [157] What name was common to the kings of Egypt? How was  
 B their power circumscribed? Name the several residences of their kings. How were their revenues derived? Who commanded the army in time of war? How were judicial questions investigated? How were the proceedings conducted, and sentence given?
- [158] What were the sciences cultivated by the priestly caste?  
 C How was *Astronomy* applied? What rendered *Geometry* so necessary a science? What were the restrictions placed on the  
 A medical profession? In what did the *Historical learning* of the Egyptians consist?
- [159] Of what do the monuments of Egypt exhibit great proofs? What prevented the Egyptian artists from rising to the representation of the beautiful?
- [160] How were architecture and sculpture connected?
- [161] Name the chief objects of art. How were the walls of the  
 C Temples adorned? Describe the interior of the Catacombs. What was the form of an Obelisk? What was their average height and base? Where were they hewn and polished? How  
 D were they conveyed to their destination? Where were they placed? \* What became of several of these Obelisks? Where  
 A are the *Pyramids* only found? Describe them. What is the  
 B name of the largest? What was its height originally, and what is it now? Mention the particulars that are known with regard to this pyramid. How many pyramids are there near Memphis? and what is their position? Which is the most celebrated group?  
 C For what were these huge masses probably reared? What did a Sphinx represent? What proves the accurate astronomical knowledge of the Egyptians? Where were Sphinxes chiefly found, and in what numbers? Who built the Labyrinth? Give some account of it.
- [162] What is our knowledge of the Egyptian inscriptions?
- [163] How were the hieroglyphical characters employed? How  
 A many styles or kinds of hieroglyphics were used? How were the hieratic characters employed? how the demotic?
- [164] What compelled the Egyptians to confine themselves to in-  
 B land and river traffic? What rendered Egypt the centre of an extensive commerce by means of caravans? How were corn and cloth transported from Egypt into Arabia and Syria? Who  
 C extended the commercial relations of Egypt? and how? What was the consequence of these arrangements?
- [165] How is our knowledge of Egyptian handicrafts obtained? Enumerate the principal arts of the Egyptians.

#### § 40. *History of the Carthaginians.*

- [170] Why did the Phœnicians select the northern coast of Africa  
 C for the establishment of a colony? When was Carthage founded? By whom?

- [171] What is the legendary account of the foundation of Carthage?
- [172] How did Carthage extend itself? What important voyages  
A were undertaken? Who made an attempt against Carthage?
- [173] What was the first step towards the downfall of the Car-  
B thaginians? Did the Carthaginians choose an opportune mo-  
C ment for the subjugation of Sicily? What success had they?  
On what terms was a peace granted?
- [174] What occasioned fresh hostilities? Did the Carthaginians  
D secure a firmer foot again in the island? Did the Syracusans  
attempt to throw off their subjection to the Carthaginians?  
What success attended their efforts?
- [175] Who was Agathocles? Give an account of the war between  
C him and the Carthaginians. What course did the Cartha-  
ginians take on the death of Agathocles? Who was Pyrrhus?  
How was he ruined in Sicily?
- [176] What was the result of the first war between the Romans  
D and Carthaginians? What troops were employed in this war?  
Why did these troops mutiny? and what was the result of the  
A mutiny? Who brought this insurrection to a satisfactory ter-  
mination? What possessions did the Romans acquire during this  
war? Why were proceedings taken against Hamilcar? How  
did the accused repel the charge? What two parties sprang up  
about this time? What was the first step towards the destruc-  
tion of the Carthaginian constitution?
- [177] What did Hamilcar do in order to indemnify his country for  
B the loss of her best provinces? Who succeeded Hamilcar in  
the command? What success had these generals in Spain?  
How was a period put to their conquests in that quarter? Who  
founded Carthago Nova? What was the fate of Hasdrübal?  
Who succeeded him in the command?
- [178] What occasioned the second war with Rome? Who was to  
A have supported Hannibal in a new war with Rome? Who  
betrayed his project? What did Hannibal do? What was his  
end? Who now started hostilities with the Carthaginians? Of  
B what provinces did he deprive them? To what straits were the  
Carthaginians reduced?
- [179] How did the third Punic war terminate? • Who founded a  
new city near the ruins of Carthage? • How did it rise in im-  
portance? • When was it destroyed? • What town was built  
from its ruins?

§ 41. *Religion, &c. of the Carthaginians.*

- [180] What was the character of the Carthaginian religion?  
D • Who were the chief divinities of the Carthaginians? • Which  
was supposed to be the peculiar residence of Melkarth? • How  
then did the Carthaginians show their homage? • What sacri-  
fices were offered to Moloch? • Whom did the god Esmûn  
A resemble? • Did the Carthaginians confine themselves to the  
worship of the gods of the mother country?
- [181] What was the nature of the Carthaginian government?  
B How was a difference of opinion between the kings and the  
senate settled? What power did the kings possess? Why was



- c the council or college of a hundred established? What power had they? Was there any other college appointed? How were their magistrates chosen?
- [182] \* What were the sources of revenue?
- [183] \* Of how many vessels did their *naval force*, before their wars with the Romans, consist? \* What amount of naval force was employed against Regulus? \* Of what troops did their army consist?
- [184] What account can you give of Carthaginian literature?
- B What sciences attained a high state of perfection? What was the language of the Carthaginians?
- [185] Did the Carthaginians allow an open trade to their colonies? Why not? How was the intercourse with foreign countries facilitated? What was the extent of their navigation? What trade did they share with the mother country beyond the Pillars of Hercules? What coast was secretly visited on the western side of Africa?
- A [186] \* What were the chief exports and imports of Carthage? How was the internal traffic conducted? What was brought from the interior of Africa?

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### EUROPE.

- [187] What advantages does Europe possess over all the other quarters of the globe? In what respects is it inferior to Asia and America? What compensates for these points of inferiority? What greatly facilitates its commercial intercourse? How is Europe indebted to the East? In what respect may Europe be considered superior to the rest of the world? How has their excellence in arts and arms been displayed? How is Europe naturally divided? What remarkable distinctions are there between eastern and western Europe?

#### § 53. *The earliest Population of Greece.*

- [230] Who were the most ancient inhabitants of Greece? Were they spread over any other countries? \* How had they, probably, already acquired a degree of civilization? \* Where did they send out colonies to? How was the appellation of Hellènes used originally? What names were applied to the people collectively? Who was the founder of the Grecian race, and of its principal tribes?
- B [231] How soon are the legendary foreign immigrations said to have commenced? Give some account of Cecrops. Who was Cadmus? Give some account of him. What improvements did he introduce into Thebes? Who migrated to Argos? \* What became of the fifty sons of Ægyptus? When did Pelops come from Phrygia to Arcadia? Who extended his dominion?

§ 54. *Myths concerning the Migrations of the Hellenic Tribes.*

- [232] What story is related of Deucalion? Who is said to have  
 A succeeded Deucalion on the throne? and who Hellen? How did  
 B the Æolians spread themselves? How did the Dorians spread  
 themselves? What success attended the youngest son of Hellen?  
 What sons had he? Name the four phylæ then established.

§ 55. *The Heroic Age.*

- [233] What effect did the wanderings of the Hellenic tribes pro-  
 D duce? What was the natural consequence of political division  
 A into separate nations? \* How is Hercules described in mythical  
 history? \* Who persecuted, and who protected him? \* At  
 whose command does Hercules undertake his *twelve labours*?  
 C \* Enumerate these. \* What became of Hercules? \* Who  
 was Theseus? \* How does he show himself a benefactor to the  
 human race? \* Who was his protector?  
 [234] Give an account of the Argonautic expedition. Whence  
 A did the Hellespont derive its name? Name the most renowned  
 heroes who accompanied this expedition.  
 [235] What led to the exposure of Œdipus on Mount Cithæron?  
 C What crime did he inadvertently commit? How did he show  
 his horror on the discovery? Who were his sons? Name the  
 D heroes who accompanied Polynices against Thebes. What was  
 the result of it?  
 [236] Why was the war of the Epigoni undertaken?  
 [237] How did the war against Troy originate? At whose instiga-  
 tion was this contest undertaken? Name the principal leaders  
 B engaged in it. What was the amount of the forces? What  
 detained them at Aulis? How were they released? What  
 C time did the siege last? \* What was their mode of warfare?  
 \* Why did Achilles refuse, after a time, to take any part in the  
 war?  
 [238] What was the fate of Agamemnon after his return? Give  
 D an account of Orestes. Where did Menelaus wander? What  
 A became of Diomedes? What was the form of government that  
 prevailed in the heroic age? What offices did the kings hold?  
 How was their revenue obtained? Who were the counsellors of  
 B the kings? Why were assemblies of the people called? \* In  
 many of the Grecian states what does the king seem to have  
 been? \* How was Attica divided by Theseus? \* How did  
 aristocratic constitutions arise?

§ 56. *The Migration of the Dorians, or Heraclidæ.*

- [239] Who gave the name of Thessaly to Pelasgicon? What be-  
 C came of the aborigines of the district afterwards named Bœotia?  
 A How did they treat the ancient inhabitants? Why was the  
 conquest of Peloponnesus by the Dorians undertaken? Who  
 B headed this expedition? What was its success? How were the  
 conquered districts divided? How happened it that Attica re-  
 tained her independence? How much of this account seems to  
 C be historically certain? Were other Doric kingdoms founded?

Who alone continued to occupy their ancient habitations ?  
What was the fate of the Achæans ?

§ 57. *The Greek Colonies on the western coast of Asia Minor,  
and the adjacent islands.*

- [240] By what was the movement of the Heraclidæ followed ? To  
A what country or countries did the expelled Achæans migrate ?  
Enumerate the cities of note founded by them.  
[241] Where did the Ionians betake themselves ? What was their  
B common bond of union ? Name the most considerable cities  
C they raised. Who burnt the famous temple of Artemis ?  
[242] Where did the Dorians emigrate ? Where was Herodotus  
D born ?

§ 58. *Origin of Republican Constitutions.*

- [243] What caused the absolute sovereignty of individuals to ex-  
A pire ? What constitutions followed the regal ? Where did two  
kings continue to reign ? Where was the monarchical constitution  
retained ? Was Greece united, or split into independent states ?  
B How were the different independent cities united ? What ad-  
vantage attended this arrangement ? What occasioned the  
establishment of Tyrants ? What is meant by the term tyrant ?  
C How did this kind of tyranny arise in those states which were  
not exclusively Dorian ?  
[244] • What changes of constitution were experienced by Co-  
D rinth ? • What Corinthian colonies were founded during this  
period ? What institutions served to unite the little independent  
states into which Greece was divided ?  
[245] What were the Amphictyonie ? How did they differ from  
A the ordinary confederacies ? Which was the most celebrated ?  
B How was the term subsequently used ? What altered its  
original character ? What privileges belonged to the Amphi-  
C ctyons ? What oracle obtained influence through its connexion  
with the Amphictyons ? How was the Amphictyonia super-  
seded ? From this period to what were the duties of the con-  
D federacy restricted ? Of what avail were its exertions now ?  
[246] Were the congresses exclusive ? Which were the most re-  
B nowned of all the games ? Who founded them ? Who revived  
them ? From what time was a regular record kept of the con-  
querors ? Where were the games celebrated ? and how ? How  
C was the ceremonial closed ? • Name the exercises of the Pen-  
athlon. • What was meant by Pancration ? • What rendered  
the Olympic Panegýris favorable for public advertisements, and  
the exhibition of works of art ? • How were the victors re-  
D warded on the spot ? and how at home ? Name the other great  
national games. Where were they severally kept, and in  
honour of whom ?

§ 59. *Sparta.*

- [247] How was the throne of Sparta always occupied ? How long  
did the contest with the Achæans continue ? Which was of all

- these struggles the most obstinate! What character did the population of Laconia assume? Who were the Helots? Give some account of them. Who was Lycurgus? At whose request did Lycurgus give his native city a constitution? Were the kings retained? What were their functions? What privileges did they enjoy? How was the government administered? How were they elected? What were the duties of this council?
- [248] What power had the popular assembly? How were the Ephōri chosen? What were their duties? How did Lycurgus apportion the lands?
- [249] To what were the regulations of Lycurgus with respect to education and domestic life directed? How were the strong children brought up? Why did Lycurgus institute public meals? What was the only circulating medium allowed? What was the chief occupation of the free citizen? How were the Pericœci employed? and the Helots? What course did Lycurgus take to secure permanence to his laws?

§ 60. *The two first Messenian Wars.*

- [250] Narrate the legend concerning the cause of the first Messenian war. How did the Spartans commence the war? Who assisted the Messenians in this struggle? Who commanded the Messenians? What followed his death? • What became of the Parthenii?
- [251] What roused the next generation of Messenians to insurrection? Who assisted them? Who commanded the forces on each side? How long did they keep possession of the fortress of Ira? How did Aristomœnes escape from prison? Why were the Messenians compelled to abandon their post? What was the plan of Aristomœnes? What became of most of the Messenians?

§ 61. *Athens.*

- [252] Is the catalogue of Athenian sovereigns until the reign of Theseus of any value? When does the historical period of Athens begin? What arrangements of the people did he introduce? Who was Melanthus? Who were the sons of Codrus? What afforded the Eupatridæ an opportunity of abolishing the kingly office? What became of Neleus? Who were made chief magistrates? To whom were they responsible? Under what title?
- [254] How long did the Archonship remain in the family of Codrus?
- [255] When were nine annual Archons first elected? What title had the first of these? the second? the third? How were the remaining six named? Why was a system of written laws called for by the people or commonalty? Who was commissioned to draw up a code of laws?
- [256] • Who attempted to make himself absolute at Athens? • Who put to death the partizans of Cylon? • Why were the Alcmaeonidæ compelled to quit the city?
- [257] • What measures did Solon introduce in order to re-

- move the misunderstanding between the Eupatrids and the Demos? How was Salamis recovered to the Athenians? How was its possession finally secured to his countrymen? What caused the *first Sacred War*? How were the Criseans punished? What factions now sprung up in Attica? What forms of government did these factions respectively advocate? Why was the sovereign authority offered to Solon? What followed his refusal?
- [258] What were the measures adopted by Solon?
- [259] • Who were the persons excluded from civil rights? • What was the condition of the *μειροικοι*? • How was the condition of the slaves improved?
- [260] How was a democratic character given to the constitution of Solon? How were the citizens divided? Which class was eligible to the Archonship? Were the other offices of state open to the other classes? What was the effect of Solon's measures? • What classes served in the cavalry? • what as heavy and light armed troops?
- [261] From what class were the Archons chosen? What examination were they required to undergo before entering on their office?
- [262] What number of members constituted the senate at different periods? How were they chosen? What were their various functions?
- [263] How often was the assembly of the people held? What was the nature of the questions they decided? How did they vote?
- [264] Who composed the court of Areopagus? Where were its sittings held? What duties were committed to this court? • How were the lower courts of justice formed? What respect was shown to Solon's laws? Did his measures allay the factious spirit of his time?
- [265] What means did Pisistratus use to become absolute in Athens? Did he obtain the confidence of the people?
- [266] How was the government afterwards carried on? Who assassinated Hipparchus? From what motives? How was the administration conducted after this event? Who expelled Hippias? Where did Hippias seek an asylum?
- [267] Who now established the democracy? How did he endeavour to obliterate all historical family reminiscences? Who attempted to overthrow the new constitution? Who supported him? Why? Did this attempt succeed? What was Ostracism? What power did it give the democratic party?

### § 62. *The Grecian Colonies.*

- [268] Where were colonies established during this period? For what purposes? What constitution did these settlements adopt? Did they degenerate or not? How far did they depend on the mother country?
- [270] Name the Dorian colonies in Lower Italy.
- [271] What Achaean colonies were in Lower Italy? What happened.
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- A pened to Sybaris? • Who founded Metapontum and Poseidonia?
- [272] What name had the peninsula between the Thermaic and Strymonic gulfs? Mention the Chalcidian settlements on the Thracian coast. Which was the most ancient of all the Grecian settlements in the west? in *Lower Italy*? and in *Sicily*? How was Zancle afterwards named?
- [273] Name the Dorian colonies in *Sicily*. What other settlements had they on the coast of the *Ionian sea*? Had they any on the Thracian coast and *Bosporus*? • Did Syracuse undergo any (and, if so, many or few) changes of constitution? • How long did the *Aristocratic* constitution last? • In whose hands was the supreme authority lodged during this period? • Name the three *Tyrants* of Syracuse. • Why was the last deposed? • When was Hiero II. chosen king? and why? • Who succeeded him? • What alliance occasioned the capture of Syracuse?
- [274] Name the colonies of Milētus on the *Hellespont*—on the *Propontis*—and on the *Pontus Euxinus*.
- [275] What colonies had the Phocæans?
- [276] Mention the colony of Zacynthus.

### § 63. *The Persian Wars.*

- [277] What caused the Persian wars?
- [278] Who was at the head of the *first campaign* against the Greeks? Who was at the head of the *second*? When was the battle of Marathon fought? After that battle what design did Miltiades form? How far did this project succeed? What followed his failure at Paros? Who ruled Athens after the decease of Miltiades? How did Themistocles obtain the ostracism of his rival? What decree did he prevail on the people to pass? What was the real intention of this measure?
- [279] What was the date of the third campaign of the Persians? Who sided with them? Who opposed them? Who defended the pass of *Thermopylæ*? Who betrayed Leonidas? What did he then do? Did the Persian army advance? State the names and events of the three naval engagements which were fought.
- [280] How was Xerxes induced to hasten his return into Asia? What army did he leave behind him? When did Mardonius invade Attica? Where did the Athenians flee for refuge? Where was Mardonius utterly defeated? By what forces? What became of the Medizing Thebans? What other victory was gained on the same day? Which was the first aggressive movement on the part of the Greeks? How was the vigour of Themistocles's administration shown? What popular enactment did Aristides obtain?
- [281] With what view did the allied fleet commence operation? Why was Pausanias superseded in the command? How did the Spartans take this? • In what did the Hegemony of Sparta over the other Peloponnesian states consist? What were the duties of the allied powers under the protection of Athens?

- [282] What fierce antagonism commences about this period?  
 A Who procured the banishment of Themistocles? by what  
 B means? To what city or country did Themistocles retire in the first instance? Whose protection did he afterwards seek? What was his reception? What was the fate of Pausanias? How did Aristides end his days? What leaders now rose into importance?  
 C What policy was pursued? Who was appointed commander-in-chief of the army? What success attended his arms? How was the booty expended?

§ 64. *The Third Messenian War.*

- [283] What checked the Spartan invasion of Attica? Who  
 D attempted at this time to throw off the Spartan oppression?  
 A Who opposed them? To what place did they retreat? Who  
 B afforded aid to the Spartans? What led to Cimon's banishment by ostracism? Where were the Messenians allowed to retire to?

§ 65. *The Age of Pericles.*

- [284] When did the democratic supremacy commence at Athens?  
 C Who was the most powerful of all the Athenian popular leaders? Who was he? How was he enabled to carry on his various  
 D innovations? State the use (or abuse) that the Athenians now  
 A made of the contingents of the allies. What increase was made to their allies? What further burdens were imposed on them?  
 B How did Pericles employ the resources at his disposal? Who introduced the practice of paying the army? What institution was now the sole remaining representative of aristocratic interests? How did Pericles abridge the rights of this institution?  
 [286] How did the participation of the Athenians in the insurrection of the Egyptians and of the satrap Inarus end?  
 [287] What was the real intention of the Spartans in sending an  
 D army into central Greece? Who were victorions at Tanagra?  
 A and what neutralized the advantages there gained? Who now joined the Athenian confederacy? Why did Pericles consent to the recall of Cimon? What was obtained through Cimon's intervention?  
 [288] At whose instance was a fresh campaign against the Persians undertaken? Describe the fortunes of the commander and his fleet.  
 [289] When was the battle at Coronea fought? by whom, and  
 B with what result? Why did the Peloponnesians invade Attica on the conclusion of the armistice? For how long a period did  
 C the Athenian commander conclude a truce? What were the conditions of this treaty? What arrangement laid the foundation of fresh disputes?

§ 66. *The Peloponnesian War.*

- [290] Give the date of the Peloponnesian war. What were the  
 D causes that led to it? What were the most prominent signs of  
 A the jealousy between Athens and Sparta? How was this feeling aggravated?

- [291] How did the war between Corcyra and Corinth originate?  
 c How did it terminate? What occasioned the revolt of Potidæa from Athens? Who supported the Potidæans? Who were the instigators of the war against Athens?  
 [292] \* What states were the allies of Athens? \* What of Sparta?

I. *Ten Years' War* [ὁ δικοετῆς πόλεμος] to the Fifty Years' Truce of Nicias.

- [293] How did the Peloponnesians commence the war? What  
 A retaliation was made by the Athenians? What prevented either party from obtaining any decided advantage? What calamity overtook the Athenians? Who was carried off? What change now took place in the government? When was  
 B Potidæa reduced? Why were the Lesbians compelled to surrender at discretion? What was the advice of Cleon? How was it executed?  
 [295] What success had the Athenians in 424? What ill fortune  
 D followed? Who was despatched for the purpose of reconquering the lost cities? Who fell in the engagement at Amphipolis? What peace was then made? On what terms?

II. *From the Renewal of the War to the Issue of the Expedition against Sicily.*

- [296] \* What states were dissatisfied with the peace of Nicias?  
 \* How was their opposition manifested? \* Who persuaded the Athenians to renounce their alliance with Sparta? \* How was the peace respected? \* Was Sparta able or not to prevent a renewal of the treaty between Argos and Athens?  
 [297] What gave rise to the expedition against Sicily? Of the  
 B Athenian statesmen, who advised and who opposed the expedition? What generals commanded the expedition? Which of the Athenian generals was recalled? What charge was preferred  
 C against him? To what city did he escape? What Sicilian general prevented Nicias from taking Syracuse? Who commanded the reinforcements sent to Nicias? By whose advice did a Spartan fleet sail to assist the Syracusans? Who commanded the Spartan fleet? Who now opposed the Athenians?  
 A What success was obtained against the Athenian fleet? Describe the failure of the last attempt of the Athenians, and the fate of their army and its commanders.

III. *The Decelean War.*

- [298] How was the war continued by the Spartans? Who joined  
 C them? What grievance occasioned the revolt of many of the Athenian allies in Asia Minor? From whom did Sparta receive subsidies for the war? What change took place in the  
 D government of Athens? How was the authority of the people limited? What support did the democratical part of the constitution now obtain? Who was now recalled? On whose advice? Who persuaded Tissaphernes to renounce the league  
 A with Sparta? How long did the oligarchical faction last?



What hastened their overthrow? Who now regained the supreme authority?

- [299] Describe the successes of Alcibiades against the Lacedæmonians. Describe his return to Athens! Why was he deprived of his unlimited command? Who were appointed to succeed him? Who succeeded Lysander? Where was he defeated? • On what charge were the Athenian generals condemned to death? • How many were executed?
- [300] Describe the successes of Lysander! Where was the naval power of Athens annihilated? How many ships escaped? A What was the perilous position of Athens at this time? On what humiliating terms did Athens surrender? When did the democratic principle perish?

### § 67. *The Hegemony of Sparta.*

- [301] Why did the Hegemony of Sparta prove odious and oppressive? Why did Thebes and Corinth take a part in the war? What did they never intend? How far did they change their political creed?
- [302] Give the *date* and duration of the supremacy of the Thirty. A What change did Lysander introduce into the government? Describe the conduct of the Thirty! Which of their number was put to death by his colleagues? On what grounds? B Describe the death of Alcibiades. Narrate the proceedings of Thrasybulus. What success attended him? How were the C places of the Thirty supplied? What were the changes made by Pausanias in co-operation with Thrasybulus?
- [303] What were the causes of the war of the Spartans with the D Persians?
- [304] How did Tithraustes divert the war from Persia? Did the A Athenians join the confederacy? What was the pretext for the B war? Where did Lysander fall? Why was Agesilaus recalled C from Asia? Where did Conon defeat the Lacedæmonians? What followed his victory? Where did Agesilaus obtain a victory? What did Conon and Pharnabazus next effect? D What proposals did the Spartans make in order to withdraw the Persians from their alliance with Athens? When was the peace of Antalcidas concluded? What did Sparta gain by it? A • What islands did the Athenians continue to hold?
- [305] • Give a general account of the Olynthian war.

### § 68. *The War between Thebes and Sparta.*

- [306] Who were now at the head of Theban affairs? Of what B dishonorable action was Phœbidas guilty? What was the fate of Ismenias? Where did the other democrats betake themselves to? Describe the course of Pelopidas and his companions. C How was the Spartan garrison treated? What fresh attempts D were made by Sparta? With what success? What victories A were gained by the Athenians? Under what commanders? What was now the policy of Athens? What impediment was B presented? Who now rose into importance? What victory did this leader obtain over Sparta? Who was killed? What

- c ambitious design was formed by Thebes? How was this promoted? Who joined the Thebans? Why were they compelled to abandon their attempt on Sparta itself? What plan did Thebes form in order to restrain the Spartans from any further encroachments on Peloponnesus? Why was the Theban army compelled to retire? What did the second and third invasions of Peloponnesus effect?
- [307] Why did the Thebans attack the tyrant of Phæræ? With  
 A what success? Where did Pelopidas fall? What dissensions induced Epaminondas to undertake a fourth campaign in Peloponnesus? What was the nature of these dissensions? Where did Epaminondas fall? Give the date of his death? Why did Sparta refuse to accede to a general peace? Why was Agesilaus sent into Egypt?

§ 69. *The War of the Confederates against Athens.*

- [308] Why did the allies renounce their allegiance to Athens?  
 c Why were the Athenians compelled to recognize the independence of their revolted allies, and remit the tribute?

§ 70. *The Phocian or Sacred War.*

- [309] What caused the Phocian or Sacred war? What had the  
 B Phocians done? Why did the Spartans join the Phocians?  
 c What measures were taken by the Spartans and Phocians? Who united in the cause of the Thebans?
- [310] Who was chosen general of the Phocians? How did Philomelus avoid falling into the hands of the enemy? Who succeeded him in the command? How was he enabled to continue  
 D the war? Which was the principal theatre of hostilities? why? Why were the Phocians compelled to yield? How was  
 A Onomarchus slain? Against whom were hostilities still carried on? Why were the Thebans compelled to call in Philip II. of  
 B Macedonia? What was the termination of the war? What was the decree of the Amphictyonic council?

§ 71. *The War against Philip II. of Macedonia.*

- [311] With what view had Philip captured Amphipolis and Pydna?  
 c Why did he give up Potidæa to the Olynthians?
- [312] What was Philip's first pretext for interfering in the affairs  
 D of Greece? Did Philip comply with the request of the tyrants of Phæræ? Why did he permit the tyrants to remain? Who came to their aid? How did Philip then act?
- [313] What was the policy of Philip with regard to the Grecian  
 B states generally? To what did Philip now direct his chief attention? What city offered the most obstinate resistance? Who sent them assistance? How did Philip favour the Messenians?  
 c Who was his bribed orator? What cities did he blockade on recommencing his plans of conquest? How was the capture of these cities prevented?
- [314] How did Philip get a fresh excuse for marching an army  
 A into Greece? Did any thing he did indicate ulterior objects?
- [315] Who had the courage to oppose Philip? How did this great  
 B man show his activity? Where was the allied army defeated?

In what year? How was the fortune of the day decided? Did Thebes surrender? What appointment did Philip receive?

§ 72. *Religion, Literature, &c. of the Greeks.*

- [316] \* How was the notion formed that Greek civilization was derived from Egypt? \* Do we find any traces in proof of this?
- [317] Give some account of the religion of the Greeks. What traces do we find of a belief in one supreme Being? Where was the residence of Zeus and the other deities? How were the national divinities amalgamated at a very early period? Name the twelve principal deities.
- [318] \* Give some account of Zeus. \* What was Juno named by the Dorians and Ionians? \* Who was Persephōne? \* What is her history? \* Who were the deities of light? \* Give an account of Athēne. \* Whose children were Apollo and Artemis? \* Where were they born? \* How is Apollo also named? \* Mention his attributes and epithets. \* What does *Poseidōn* denote? \* What gave occasion to the fable of Vulcan's being the cup-bearer of the gods? \* Why was he represented as a blacksmith? \* Give an account of Mercury: of Vesta. \* Who was Mars? \* Who was Venus? \* Describe the manner in which Bacchus was represented. What were his epithets?
- [319] What inferior classes of deities were there? Who were the *Dæmōnes*? What is meant by *heroes*? What notion produced the deities of the lower world? Name these. How were the gods approached? What were their offerings? In what other modes did the Greeks honour the gods? Which of all the sorts of divination was held in the greatest esteem? Which were the most renowned oracles? Name the other sorts of divination?
- [320] What necessities were pressed on the Greeks when they became engaged in wars with Persia? At Athens who restored the constitution of Solon? Where was democracy introduced? Where did oligarchy prevail? When were these two forms of government placed in a state of antagonism? When was the oligarchical system at its greatest height? What was the signal for a general rising against Sparta? How was Greece prepared to receive the yoke of a foreign master?
- [321] Where did epic, lyric, and dramatic poetry first develop themselves?
- [322] What was the character of epic poetry before the days of Homer? How did Homer improve the plan of the epic? How were the *Iliad* and *Odyssey* made known to the world? Who composed the Homeric hymns? Had Homer any imitators? Where was the school of the Homeridæ? Who was at the head of the rival school? What poems of his are extant?
- [323] When did lyric poetry develop itself? To whom is the elegiac measure ascribed? Who was the last of the great elegiac poets? How was the elegiac metre most commonly employed? How did Simonides distinguish himself in this way? Who invented the Iambic? How did it differ from the

- epic and elegiac? How was the *lyric poetry* of the Greeks divided? Distinguish the two. How did the subject-matter vary? Who were the most distinguished poets of the *Æolic school*? Name them. Under whom did the Doric choral poetry develop itself, and attain perfection? What compositions of Pindar's are extant? What is their character?
- [324] When did the choral hymns first assume the form of tragedy? Who introduced a second actor on the stage? How did *Æschylus* excite the astonishment and delight of the Greeks? Who introduced a third actor? What was the chief object in this addition? What number of tragedies were *Æschylus* and *Sophocles* accustomed to bring forward at one representation?
- Where was *Euripides* born? What innovations did he introduce? How did *Euripides* differ from *Æschylus* and *Sophocles* in the treatment of his heroes?
- [325] How did this form of composition arise, and what was its character? What specimen have we left of the *Satyrical drama*? Whence did the *Old Comedy* derive its origin? Who moulded it into a more artistical form? When did *Aristophanes* flourish? How many of his comedies remain? What representation have we in them of *Athenian manners*? When was all satirical notice of living characters strictly prohibited? What was the result of this injunction? What was the object of the *Middle Comedy*?
- [326] How can we account for the Greeks being so many centuries without accurate historical records? Who first broke the ground? With what did the compilers of history antecedent to *Herodotus* content themselves? Describe the character of *Herodotus* as an historian. Describe the great historical work of *Thucydides*. What unfounded charge has been made against *Xenophon*?
- [327] Where alone was eloquence cultivated as a political science? Characterize the orations of *Pericles*? Who originally cultivated rhetoric as an art? What combination produced the elaborate eloquence of the senate and the bar? How was the eloquence of *Lysias* distinguished? Who was a famous teacher of oratory? What orator was the great opponent of *Demosthenes*? Did *Demosthenes* exert all the resources of his eloquence?
- [328] Where was philosophy first cultivated? Who was at the head of the *Ionian school*? Upon what does the reputation of the '*seven wise men*' seem to have been founded? What was principally taught by the *Sophists*? Who resisted their abuse of this art? How did he attempt to stem the torrent of immorality? Who held him up to ridicule? Why was he sentenced to death? Who has preserved his doctrines? What school did

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<sup>1</sup> [What is said in the text gives a false notion of this orator. The *Epitaphios* is probably not a genuine work of his. His pleadings are mostly on private causes, and are exceedingly clear, correct, and nervous, though plain.]

- D Plato found? Who founded the Peripatetic school? • Where are the earliest traces of mathematical science found? • Who made an attempt to introduce medicine into ordinary life? • Who was the real founder of the healing art?
- [329] Describe the Cyclopiian style of architecture. What remains have we of this style? Who has described the palaces of the heroic age? What are the most important architectural monuments of antiquity? How were the fronts of Grecian temples ornamented? Where are the most ancient of the architectural monuments still in existence found? Where may those of the most flourishing period of Grecian architecture be seen?
- [330] What ornamental works in *sculpture* were produced? When was the period of their greatest perfection? What ornaments decorated the temples? Who was the most distinguished master in sculpture? What were his chief works? Name the other celebrated masters.
- [331] To what was *painting* for a long time confined? How long was it considered subordinate to sculpture? Who were the principal painters of note? Who attained the highest degree of perfection? Of what did his works consist?
- [332] What trade did the Phœnicians carry on with the Greeks? Who were notorious for their acts of piracy? Which were the chief commercial states of Greece?
- [333] • Name the *principal branches of Greek commerce*. • What were the *principal articles* of import? of export?

§ 74. *History of Macedonia to the Reign of Philip II.*

- [340] What traditions exist respecting the establishment of the Macedonian monarchy? When do the first continuous notices of Macedonian history commence? How did the Macedonian Alexander serve Xerxes? Why did Perdiccas II. break with the Athenians? Whom did he support? Enumerate the improvements Archelaus introduced into his country. What was its condition after his death?
- [341] • What was the nature of the constitution of Macedonia during this period?

§ 75. *Philip II.*

- [342] How was the disputed succession in Macedonia settled? A Who was sent as a hostage to Thebes? How did he benefit by his residence there? How did Philip obtain the throne? B What was this prince's grand object? How did he increase the efficiency of his army? Wherein did its great power consist? Why did he endeavour to make himself master of the C coasts of Thrace? Who assassinated Philip? why?

§ 76. *Alexander the Great.*

- [343] When was Alexander the Great born? What remarkable event took place on the night of his birth? Who conducted his education? What were the first acts of his reign? Who opposed the Hegemony of Alexander? Who was chosen commander-in-chief of the forces destined to act against the Persians?

- [344] What expedition did Alexander now undertake? What false  
c report was raised? How did Alexander treat the Thebans?
- [345] Who was left as regent in Macedonia? What was the state  
D of the Persian empire at this time? What forces had Alexander?  
A ander? Which was his first battle? Who favoured the designs  
of Alexander? Who offered resistance? Who was the favorite  
B general of Alexander? What was assigned to him? Why did  
he cut the famous knot at Gordium? How was Alexander's  
march interrupted? Between whom was the battle of Issus  
C fought? when? with what result? What fell into the hands of  
Parmenio? On what terms was Darius anxious to purchase a  
peace?
- [346] Enumerate the conquests which followed. How was Tyre  
D taken? How long did the siege of Gaza last? How did Alexander  
perpetuate his name in Egypt?
- [347] Describe his visit to the temple of Zeus Ammon. What  
A advantage attended his conquest of Phœnicia and Cyprus?  
B Where did he again overthrow Darius? Where did the defeated  
monarch fly to for refuge? What provinces did Alexander take  
possession of? Who murdered Darius?
- [348] How did the death of Darius assist the schemes of Alexander?  
C ander? How was the rapid subjugation of the eastern portion  
of the empire effected?
- [349] What was the fate of Bessus? With what view did he  
A undertake an expedition against the Scythians, &c.? Why did  
he retrace his steps?
- [350] \* Where did discontent manifest itself? \* Why were the  
B Macedonians discontented? \* Name some of the most distinguished  
Macedonians who refused Alexander divine homage.  
\* What caused disturbances in Greece? \* Who supported  
Agis II.?
- [351] Who composed the Indian army of Alexander? Why did  
D Porus submit to Alexander? How was Alexander induced to  
A return? Who commanded the fleet? Describe its course.  
B How did Alexander return to Persia?
- [352] Why did Alexander keep in sight of his fleet? How did he  
C proceed after this became impracticable? How were the last  
years of his life spent?
- [353] \* How were the oppressive barbarian satraps treated?  
D \* In what way did Alexander still further conciliate the barbarians?  
\* How did he alienate his own veteran soldiers?
- [354] Where and when did Alexander die? What caused his  
A death?
- § 77. *Partition of the Persico-Macedonian Empire.*
- [355] Who was to be proclaimed the successor of Alexander?  
B Who was to govern as regent? in Asia? in Europe? Whom  
did the army recognize as king? Who obtained the satrapy  
of Egypt? of Phrygia? of Caria? What province fell to Antigonus?  
to Eumenes? to Lysimachus?
- [356] What were the plans of Perdiccas? How were they  
C frustrated? Who succeeded to the regency? When did he  
die? Who next obtained the guardianship of the two young

- A kings! What followed this arrangement? What led to a confederacy against Antigonos? Who comprised this confederacy?
- B Who was the son of Antigonos? When and where was Antigonos defeated? Who shared his dominions?
- [357] \* What was the policy of Antigonos? \* How did he attempt to weaken Cassander of Macedonia? \* What prevented his crossing into Europe? \* What did he do in order to reconquer the east?
- [358] \* How did the war break out afresh? \* Who was now commissioned to effect the liberation of Greece? \* How was he rewarded for this service? \* What victory did Demetrius now obtain? \* What titles did he and his father now assume? \* Who imitated them? \* Why did Demetrius attack Rhodes?
- B \* What were his exertions? \* Were they successful? \* Who solicited the aid of Demetrius? \* What alliance was then formed? \* How were the territories of Antigonos divided?

### § 78. Macedonia and Greece.

- [359] How did the Greeks receive the intelligence of Alexander's death? Who was appointed commander-in-chief of the allied army? To what country did he transfer the theatre of war?
- B What success attended the allied army? On what condition was peace granted to Athens? What was the fate of Hyperides and Demosthenes?
- [360] How did the kings of the new Macedonian empire content themselves? How were their plans continually rendered abortive? What was another obstacle to the complete subjugation of Greece? What Greek province alone remained to Macedonia? What relation did the other states bear to Macedonia?
- [361] When were Macedonia and Greece invaded by the Gauls?
- A What hordes of barbarians made an irruption into Greece? Whom did the first horde overthrow? Who drove them subsequently out of the country? Under whom did the second horde march to Delphi? Describe their repulse. Where did they settle?
- [362] What had the Ætolian and Achæan confederacy for their object? Where was the Ætolian confederacy held? Who gave importance to the Achæan confederacy? How were the Athenians persuaded to join it?
- [363] What struggle took place between the two confederacies?
- [364] \* In the Cleomenian war, who formed an alliance with Sparta?
- A \* With what intent? \* Who prevented the Achæans from submitting to Sparta? How? \* How was Cleomenes vanquished? \* How did the war of the confederates arise? \* What was the success of Philip III.? What made him think of attacking Rome?
- [365] What was the object of *New Comedy*? Who was the most successful writer of this description of comedy? For whom did he furnish a model? Where was eloquence chiefly cultivated? Name the five philosophic schools.
- [366] \* Who founded the *Peripatetic*? \* What was the teaching of the *Epicurean* school? \* Who founded the *Stoic*? \* What

was the character of its teaching? • Who founded the *Sceptic*?  
 • What was its teaching? • Who founded the *New Academy*?  
 • To what school was it opposed?

[367] Name the principal commercial places after the decline of Grecian freedom!

§ 79. *Egypt under the Ptolemies.*

[368] Who received the smallest division of the Macedonian monarchy? What advantages attended the allotment of the Ptolemies? Give the surnames of the three first Ptolemies. What was their policy with respect to Egypt, and particularly Alexandria? What proof have we of their injudicious foreign policy? What was the consequence of their obstinate perseverance?

[369] • How did Ptolemy Philadelphus facilitate the commerce between India and the Mediterranean? • Why was this mode of communication but little used? • Which was the great emporium for the Indian and Arabian trade?

[370] When does the decline of the Egyptian empire date its commencement? What was the character of succeeding sovereigns? How did the people submit to their oppression? How did the Romans find an opportunity for intervention? What wars followed with the Romans? When did Egypt begin to take the place of Athens as the seat of learning? What difference was there in the character of the Alexandrian and Grecian literature?

[372] Where do the Alexandrian poets fail? Who excelled in lyric poetry? in epic and didactic poetry? Have we any fragments of Theocritus?

[373] Who raised *philology* to the position of a substantive science? What was the plan of these literati? Who were the most celebrated grammarians?

[374] • What great mathematicians flourished at this period? • What philosophic sect sprung up here in the second century?

§ 80. *The Syrian Empire under the Seleucids.*

[375] Relate the victories of Seleucus. What was the extent of his dominion? What bad policy did the Seleucids adopt? What would have been their better course? What was the result of their system of government?

[376] Who averted the ruin of the declining empire for a time? What was his first attempt? Whose independence was Antiochus compelled to recognize? What was his conviction with regard to the north-western portion of the Persian empire? What war was now successfully renewed? Who interrupted Antiochus in his career of victory? How did the Romans seek war with Syria? For what purpose did Antiochus visit Greece? Who deceived him? Who declared war against him? Under these circumstances how did Antiochus act? Where did the Romans gain a second battle at? To what conditions was Antiochus obliged to submit? Who then renounced their allegiance to the Seleucids?



[377] On the death of Antiochus III., what causes undermined  
 D the empire of the Seleucidæ? How did Antiochus IV. show  
 his ignorance of his real position? Who compelled Antiochus  
 A to disgorge his Egyptian conquest? What occasioned the de-  
 fection of the Israelites from the Syrian monarchy? How was  
 this empire shaken to its foundation? Who reduced it to the  
 condition of a Roman province? At what date?

§ 81. *Kingdoms which revolted from the Syrian Dominion.*

[378] Who supported the Romans in their war against Antiochus  
 B III.? What was his reward? Who was the founder of the  
 C celebrated library of Pergamus? To whom did Attalus III.  
 bequeath his kingdom? Who overthrew Aristoniceus?

[379] How did Nicomedes treat the Gallic tribes? Who migrated  
 A to Asia Minor? How did Cæsar favour Deiotarus? Who as-  
 sassinated Agathocles? What was the extent of the kingdom  
 of Parthia afterwards? Who deposed Arsaces XXX.? Of  
 B what provinces did the emperor Galerius deprive Narses?

[381] What notices have we of Bactria?

[382] When was Armenia divided? What misfortune attended  
 the alliance of Tigranes with his father-in-law Mithridates VI.?  
 Enumerate the successive changes in the government of  
 Armenia. Who ruled the *Lesser Armenia*?

[383] Who acquired Palestine on the death of Alexander the  
 B Great? What was the Greek translation of the Old Testament  
 called? How long did the Jews remain subject to the Se-  
 leucidæ? What occasioned their revolt?

[384] How long did they maintain their independence? Who was  
 C recognized by Demetrius as high-priest and independent prince  
 of Judæa? What struggles prepared the way for the depend-  
 ence of their country on Rome? How did the leader of the  
 Pharisaic party obtain promotion to the high priesthood?

[385] \* How did the Pharisees and Sadducees differ in doctrine?  
 A \* Who were the Essenes? What was the consequence of the  
 new high-priest's neglect of public affairs? Whose son was  
 Herod? How was he enabled to bid defiance to the eumity of  
 the Pharisees?

[386] Why was the government of Herod the Great hateful to  
 B every Jewish patriot? What was Herod's policy? When was  
 JESUS CHRIST born? Of what province did Judæa form a  
 part? Who was its most notorious procurator? What hap-  
 pened during his government?

[387] \* Did Palestine again become a kingdom? \* Under whom?  
 Who destroyed Jerusalem? When? How many Jews lost  
 their lives? Where was the seat of government now trans-  
 A ferred? What occasioned another general insurrection of the  
 Jews? What new city rose on the ruins of Jerusalem?

§ 82. *The Kingdom of Pontus.*

[388] When did Pontus become independent? To whom did  
 B Mithridates II. submit? Who expelled Antigonus from  
 Pontus? Describe the career of Mithridates VI.. On whom  
 C was Pontus conferred at a later period?

§ 83. *Bithynia and Cappadocia.*

- [389] Who are the best known of the Bithynian kings?  
 D Who inveigled Archelaus to Rome? Who was the last king of Cappadocia?

§ 91. *Legend concerning the Immigration of the Trojans into Latium.*

- [447] Who visited Latium previously to the Trojan immigration?  
 A What did he do? Where did Æneas land? Whom did he marry? How was the first settlement in Italy named by the  
 B Trojans? What city did they found afterwards? • What was the fate of Turnus, king of the Rutuli? • What becomes of Æneas? • Who was his son?  
 [448] Who founded the city of Alba Longa? • On what grounds  
 C would you doubt the catalogue of kings from Ascanius to Amulius?

§ 92. *Legend concerning the Building of Rome.*

- 449] • Under what two forms is the legend concerning the building of Rome known?

§ 93. *Romulus.*

- [450] How long did Romulus reign? How was the new city of  
 C Rome soon peopled? How did Romulus act when his matrimonial proposals were rejected? What wars did this give rise  
 A to? How were they terminated? What became of Romulus?

§ 94. *Numa Pompilius.*

- [451] How long did Numa Pompilius reign? Who was he?  
 B Name the different orders who formed his religious establishment. What were his other remarkable acts?

§ 95. *Niebuhr's view of the origin and earliest Inhabitants of Rome.*

- [452] Why have we the term Quirites associated with that of  
 C Populus Romanus?  
 [453] Of what did the Roman people consist before the formation  
 A of the plebs? How did this distinction originate? What was the nature of the connexion between client and patron?  
 [454] Who were styled gentes minores? Name the three tribes of  
 C the Roman people. How were these subdivided? Who pre-  
 A sided over a tribe? curia? gens? Who formed the senate?

§ 96. *The earliest Constitution of Rome under Servius Tullius.*

- [455] How was the supreme authority divided? How was the  
 C king chosen? What was the nature of his authority? How was his revenue derived?  
 [456] Of what numbers did the Senate consist at different periods?  
 [457] What was the comitia curiata? Who acted as interreges?  
 A For how long a time did each rule?

§ 97. *Tullus Hostilius.*

- [458] How long did Tullus Hostilius reign? How was the war  
 B with Alba Longa decided? How was the attempted desertion  
 C of Mettius Fuffetius punished? What was the fate of Tullus?

§ 98. *Ancus Marcius.*

- [459] How long did Ancus Marcius reign? What were his prin-  
 D cipal public works?

§ 99. *L. Tarquinius Priscus.*

- [460] How long did L. Tarquinius Priscus reign? Who was he?  
 A Mention his great architectural labours. What changes did he  
 effect in the constitution? What was Tarquin's fate?

§ 100. *Servius Tullius.*

- [461] How long did Servius Tullius reign? What was his origin?  
 B How did he come to the throne? What temple did he build?  
 Who murdered him? Who supported Servius Tullius?

§ 101. *The Constitution of Servius Tullius.*

- [462] What new order in the state was now become influential?  
 C Describe the origin and progress of this order. What was the  
 chief object of the constitution of Servius Tullius? What was  
 A his policy with regard to the plebs? How did he commence his  
 reforms?
- [463] What new division of the inhabitants did he introduce?  
 C How many *equites* or knights were there? How were those who  
 served on foot divided? What amount of property was to be  
 D possessed by these classes respectively? What class or classes  
 comprehended the third part of the whole? Name the centuries  
 of this part.
- [464] How was the voting conducted? What connexion existed  
 A between the military and civil constitutions of the kingdom?  
 B Who were the *serarii*?
- [465] • How was the property qualification settled? • How often  
 was a census made? • What items did it comprehend? • To  
 whom was the administration of the public exchequer entrusted?
- [466] Who formed the *comitia centuriata*? What privileges were  
 C conferred on this assembly by Servius? How was its power  
 A limited in elections and legislation? To whom were the *judicia*  
*capitis* committed?
- [467] • What state allowances were granted to the knights? • How  
 B were the classes divided? • Of how many men did the Roman  
 legion consist originally? • How were the classes armed?  
 • What was the office of the *accensi* and *relati*? • When were  
 the *proletarii* armed?

§ 102. *L. Tarquinius Superbus.*

- [468] How long did L. Tarquinius Superbus reign? How came he  
 C to ascend the throne? What oppressive measures did he adopt?
- [469] How was he enabled to build the Capitoline temple of

- D** Jupiter, and the temples of Juno and Minerva? How were the  
**A** Sibylline books obtained? Who preserved them?  
 [471] What was the dispute between the sons of the king and L.  
**B** Tarquinius? What was the fate of Lucretia? and who avenged  
**C** her death? Who were the first consuls? • What inconsistencies occur in the chronology of this period?

### § 103. *The Consuls.*

- [472] What was the *original* title of the Consuls? How long did  
**A** they retain it? When did plebeians first become eligible to the office of consul? What were the necessary qualifications for the consulship? • How was the election made and sanctioned? • When did the consuls enter on office?  
 [473] To whom were the priestly duties committed? How was  
**B** the great power of the consuls gradually circumscribed? When were the consuls invested with unlimited powers? How long did the consulship nominally exist?

### § 104. *Consequences of the Expulsion of the Tarquins.*

- [474] Who was at the head of a conspiracy to restore the Tar-  
**C** quins? Who succeeded Collatinus as consul? How had the number of senators been diminished? Who were now admitted in their number?  
 [475] • How was the battle between Aruns and Brutus decided?  
**A** • What important law did P. Valerius obtain for the plebeians?  
 [476] What heroic deeds did the war with Porsenna produce?  
**B** On what terms were the Romans compelled to conclude a peace with Porsenna?  
 [477] What power had the *Dictator*? How long did his office last?  
**C** When was the first dictator appointed? What was the advantage of such an office? • From what class was the dictator chosen?

### § 105. *Secession of the Plebs, 494.*

- [479] When did the patrician party begin to press heavily on the  
**B** plebeians? With what view was the dictatorship created? How  
**C** had the plebeians been ruined? To whom was the term *nexus* applied? What became of those who failed to redeem their pledge within a given time?  
 [480] Why did the people refuse to serve in the army? Who  
**D** persuaded them to take the field? What did the people do when they found the promises of their commanders unfulfilled?  
**A** Who brought about a peace? How were the tribunes chosen?  
**B** What was the *object* of their appointment? What power did they possess? How were questions decided in the college of tribunes? To what *comitia* could they summon the people? Where was this assembly held? Whom did the resolutions there adopted affect? What were such resolutions called?  
 [481] What duties were entrusted to the *rediles plebei*?  
 [482] • Who attempted to obtain for the plebs a share of the *ager publicus*? • Was his law adopted? • What charge did Genucius make against the consuls?

§ 106. *Wars to the period of the Decemvirate.*

- [483] How did Cn. Marcius obtain the surname of Coriolanus?  
 B Why was he condemned by the comitia tributa? What step did he take? What demands did he make when before the city of Rome? How was he induced to raise the siege? What became of him afterwards?
- [484] With what view was the war against Veii undertaken?
- [485] • What success had the Fabii against the Veientes?
- [486] How far had the Ausonian tribes (Æqui and Volsci) extended their authority? Who rescued the Romans when beaten on the Algidus?

§ 107. *Struggle of the Plebeians with the Patricians for equality of Civil Rights.*

- [487] Who proposed the formation of a code of written laws?  
 C why? What advantages would the plebeians gain by these laws? Why did the patricians attempt to render this "rogatio"  
 D ineffective? How did the struggle terminate? • On what grounds has it been supposed that the Roman code was derived from that of Athens?
- [488] Who were appointed to frame the new code of written laws?  
 B What was the result of this commission? How long did these laws form the groundwork of Roman legislation? What most important change was consequent on the formation of this code?
- [489] How did the second decemvirate act? How was the discontent of the people blown into a flame? By whose means was  
 A peace restored? On what terms? Who impeached the decemviri? What was their fate? What became of their property?
- [490] What was the first endeavour of the newly-elected consuls?  
 B In order to this what laws were enacted?
- [491] What essential change in the constitution was effected by C.  
 C Canuleius? What other changes were introduced by his colleagues? What was the number of the Military Tribunes? What law was passed yearly with regard to the appointment of chief magistrates?
- [492] From what order were the Censors chosen? How long did  
 A their office continue? What were their functions?
- [493] • How was the generosity of Sp. Maelius rewarded? • How  
 C was the senate now recruited?
- [494] How had all questions hitherto been decided in the college  
 D of tribunes? What enactment was now made? Was this serviceable to any order in the state? What practice was now introduced in the army? What was set aside for this purpose?

§ 108. *The last War against Veii.*

- [495] What wars preceded the last against Veii?
- [496] What led to the war with Veii? How was Veii taken?  
 B What dependence is to be placed on the account of its capture?

- [497] \* What did the oracle and aruspex announce about Veii?  
 c \* What was done in consequence?  
 [498] How was the Veientine territory disposed of? What charge was made against Camillus? What was his punishment?

§ 109. *War with the Gauls, 389.*

- [499] Who now crossed the Alps and entered Italy? Who com-  
 A manded the Italian division? What amount of forces were  
 B engaged on the Allia? When was this battle fought? With  
 what event? On what conditions did the Gauls consent to  
 withdraw from Rome? Who interfered at this juncture?  
 C What followed? Why was Camillus surnamed the second  
 founder of the city? Who re-peopled Veii?  
 [500] \* How were many persons reduced to insolvency at this  
 A time? \* What was the conduct of M. Manlius? \* How was he  
 treated?

§ 110. *Termination of the struggle between the Patricians and Plebeians by the Licinian Rogations.*

- [501] Who attempted to relieve the continued embarrassment of  
 C the plebeians? What laws did they propose? Who stopped  
 the reading of these rogations? When were they adopted?  
 D To what condition were they made subject? Why was the  
 prætura urbana established? Who held the curule ædileship?  
 Who was nominated the first plebeian consul?  
 [502] Who was the Prætor Urbanus? What was his principal  
 B duty? How was his authority indicated? What guide had he  
 for his decisions in cases to which the law did not extend? On  
 C what did he sit? What other prætor was now appointed?  
 Why was the appointment made necessary? Were the number  
 of prætors further increased? How were they increased by  
 Sulla and Cæsar?  
 [503] What were the duties of the Curule Ædiles? How long was  
 A it before the plebeians were established in the possession of  
 their newly-acquired rights? How was the election of Consuls  
 frequently interrupted?

§ 111. *Their Wars—to the Samnite Wars.*

- [504] With what nation or tribe had the Romans several wars  
 B about this time? How were they decided?

§ 112. *First War with the Samnites.*

- [506] What was the extent of the Samnite dominion? Was the  
 D population of this territory large? Who applied to the Romans  
 for aid against the Samnites? Who were consuls at that time?  
 A What engagements took place? What booty fell into the hands  
 of the Romans? Who gained the victory at Suessula? What  
 was the condition of peace between the Romans and Samnites?

§ 113. *War with the Latins, 339—337.*

- [507] When was the alliance between Rome and Latium renewed?  
 C What led to the complete subjugation of the Latins? Where

did the Romans meet the Latins in conflict? Under whose command? How and why did Manlius punish his son? Where was a second victory gained? What followed this victory?

[508] \* How were the inhabitants of the subdued cities treated?

§ 114. *Second War with the Samnites.*

[509] \* What were the causes of the second Samnite war?

[510] How did the Romans divide the forces of the Samnites?

B How many times were the Samnites defeated? Under whom?

Where was a Roman force intercepted and beaten? On what

C terms did they capitulate? \* How long did the war with the

Samnites last? \* In whose favour did it terminate?

[511] With what states did the Romans now maintain war suc-

A cessfully? What favorable opportunity did the Etruscans

seize to re-establish their ancient boundaries? Who opposed

them? Where were they defeated? How was the conqueror

rewarded? Who obtained the victory near Longula? What

B success attended Fabius as proconsul? Over whom did the

consuls of the ensuing year gain victories? What other battles

were fought? Did the Samnites afterwards recognize the

supremacy of Rome? On what terms was a peace concluded?

[512] \* How were the revolted cities of the Hernicans treated?

C how the Volscians and Æquians who had afforded assistance to

the Samnites?

§ 115. *Third War with the Samnites.*

[513] What gave rise to the third war with the Samnites? By

A what alliance did the Samnites seek to strengthen themselves?

Where were they defeated? By whom? Who checked the

advance of the Gauls? What victories did the Romans gain?

B What was the fate of C. Pontius? Who terminated the war

with the Samnites? \* How far did the sovereignty of Rome

now extend?

§ 116. *War with Tarentum and with Pyrrhus of Epirus.*

[514] What caused the war with Tarentum?

[515] Whom did the people of Tarentum call to their assistance?

A What victory did this ally gain? On what terms did he offer

peace to the Romans? By whose advice was this proposal

rejected?

[516] What battle was won by Pyrrhus in the following year?

C What induced Pyrrhus to conclude an armistice with Rome?

Why did Pyrrhus quit Italy?

[517] When was he compelled to abandon Sicily? Why did he

D return into Italy? Who defeated his mercenaries? where?

What did Pyrrhus then do? What was his fate? Who de-

livered up Tarentum to the Romans?

§ 117. *Complete Subjugation of Italy.*

[518] Who now opposed the Romans? Who was sent against

A them? With what success? What became of the Etruscan

cities?

[519] What states were now compelled to receive Roman colonists?

[520] Where were the Picentians sent? why?

[522] • What was the connexion of the conquered States with Rome?

[523] • What privileges belonged to the Municipia? • What usage had the Romans for the purpose of retaining a conquered people in a state of dependence? • What lands were assigned to the colonists? • Who had the administration of public affairs? • What advantage attended this plan of colonizing? • By whose order were colonies established? • What were the *præfecturæ*?

§ 118. *Domestic History of Rome during this period.*

[524] When did the importance of the patrician order begin to decline?

[525] Who took the first decided step towards a complete equalization of the two orders? What were the three laws that he proposed in order to achieve this? What was gained by the *lex Ogulnia*? What was the object of the *lex Mœnia*? What led to the complete establishment of democracy?

[526] • With what view did Appius Claudius admit the *libertini* into the plebs? • Who set aside this arrangement? • What privilege did this office confer? • Why were three censors deemed necessary?

§ 119. *The first Punic War.*

[527] When did the first Punic war break out? Why did the Carthaginians support the Tarentines in their struggles against Rome? What led to the introduction of Roman troops into Sicily? Where were the Romans admitted? Who blockaded them? Who relieved Messana? How many cities submitted to the Romans? Did Hiero make peace with the invaders? What did the Romans now do? What was the fate of Agrigentum?

[528] With what view did the Romans create a naval force? How soon was a fleet equipped? Who conquered the Carthaginians by sea? Where? What honorable distinction was granted to this commander? What was the next bold step of the Romans? Who commanded the Romans when the war was transferred to Africa? Where did Regulus defeat the Carthaginians? What were the number of ships on each side?

[529] Give an account of the campaign in Africa. Who was placed in command of the Carthaginians? What contributed to the defeat of the Romans? What became of Regulus? Where was the naval force of the Carthaginians annihilated? Where was the fleet lost?

[530] What success attended a second Roman fleet? What determination did the disaster lead to? Whom did the Carthaginians send to Rome to sue for peace? How were the endeavours of the Romans to obtain possession of Lilybæum and Drepanum rendered abortive? Why did the Romans deter-



mine again to abandon naval warfare? Who commanded the Carthaginians in Sicily? What decisive victory was at length gained by the Romans? On what terms was a peace concluded? In what year did the first Punic war end?

[531] What opportunity did the Romans take to get possession of Sardinia and Corsica?

### § 120. *War with the Illyrians.*

[532] On what ground did the Romans declare war against the Illyrians? On what terms was a peace concluded?

[533] What privileges did the Greeks confer on the Romans in gratitude for their deliverance from Illyrian piracy?

### § 121. *Conquest of Cisalpine Gaul.*

[534] What tribes of either *cisalpine* or *transalpine* Gaul now rose up against Rome? What occasioned this rising? How did the rebellion terminate? What plans did the Romans adopt for the security of the newly-acquired territory?

### § 122. *Second Punic War.*

[536] Give the pedigree of the Scipios. With what view did Hamilcar commence the subjugation of Spain? How was this intention frustrated? Who besieged Saguntum? What was the result of this act of aggression? What natural obstacles did Hannibal overcome on his march towards Italy? What victories did he gain on his way? What amount of forces had he on arriving in Italy?

[537] • How did the Romans resolve to carry on this war? • Who was despatched into Sicily? and with what further orders? • Who marched into Spain? • Why was his plan altered?

[538] What victories did Hannibal gain, and over whom? What fatal error did Hannibal commit after the battle of Trasimenus? Where did he march? With what hope? What was the plan of Fabius? Whence his surname? What was the issue of the battle of Cannæ? What most important result followed? What success attended the fresh army of the Romans?

[539] • What city was Hannibal now occupied in besieging? • Where did he establish his head-quarters? • What did he do after failing in his attempts to reduce the citadel of Tarentum? • What success had Marcellus over Hannibal? • What was his fate?

[540] Why was Hannibal compelled to seek assistance from foreign powers? How were the Macedonians and Syracusans prevented from aiding him? In what year did the whole of Sicily become a Roman province? Who commanded the Carthaginian troops in Spain? Where was Hasdrubal defeated? By whom? How long did Mago struggle against the Romans? Who was recalled with him? What was his end?

[541] How did Cn. Scipio open the campaign? Who was sent into Spain to his assistance? Who joined Hasdrubal? What was the career of the Scipios in Spain? How did it terminate?

- c Who was now sent out against the Carthaginians? Mention the victories of this commander. How was Spain divided? How named? What appointment did C. Scipio receive on his return to Rome? What permission was granted to him?
- [542] Who joined Scipio on his landing in Africa? What plan of attack did Syphax and the Carthaginians form? How was it defeated? Why did the Carthaginian government deem it advisable to recall Hannibal and Mago from Italy? Where were the Carthaginians finally defeated? when? On what terms were they compelled to accept peace?
- [543] \* How was Masinissa rewarded? \* What honours were conferred on Scipio? \* How were the revolted states of Italy treated?

§ 123. *The Two Wars against Philip III., king of Macedonia.*

- [544] What pretext had the Romans for commencing a struggle for preponderance in the east?
- [545] \* Why did the Romans endeavour to defeat Philip's ambitious projects in Illyria? \* Not attaining this object, whose friendship did they court? \* How did the war between Philip and the Ætolians terminate?
- [546] How did Philip make aggressions on the Romans? What opportunity did the Romans take of punishing him? Who prosecuted the war with vigour? What battle put an end to the war? Its date! To what terms was Philip obliged to submit? When were the Greek districts proclaimed free?
- [547] \* How did Flaminius limit the power of Nabis? Why did he allow it to remain?

§ 124. *War with Antiochus III. of Syria.*

- [548] \* What occasioned the revolt of the Ætolians? \* Who subdued them? \* What charges were made against the two Scipios? \* By whom? \* To what country or place did Publius retire? \* How was Lucius punished? \* What was the end of Hannibal?

§ 125. *Third Macedonian War.*

- [549] How was Philip occupied when death stopped his projects? Who carried them forward? How did this prince strengthen himself? How was he often impeded? How was the breaking out of war precipitated? What battle decided the fate of the Macedonian monarchy? What became of Perseus? How did the Romans prepare the country for submission to their sovereign rule? What advantage did the Roman people derive from these conquests? How did they prove injurious to their liberties?
- [550] How was Illyria punished for its alliance with Perseus? How were the cities and inhabitants of Epirus treated? How were the 1000 falsely accused Achæans treated? What was the policy of Rome with regard to the Grecian states?

- [551] \* Who compelled Antiochus IV. [*Antiochus Epiphanes*] to abandon his warlike designs on Egypt? \* Who was detained at Rome as a hostage? \* Why was Antiochus V. placed on the throne? \* Did Demetrius escape? \* With what view did the Romans divide Egypt?

§ 126. *The last Wars with Macedonia and Greece.*

- [552] Who made an attempt to re-establish the Macedonian  
A monarchy? Who defeated the impostor? How was Macedonia punished for its revolt?
- [553] How many of the thousand Achæans who had been sent to  
B Rome returned? Who of these endeavoured to persuade their countrymen to resist the Romans? Who proclaimed war  
C against Sparta? Who defeated him? where? Who persisted in carrying on the war? Who superseded Metellus? What victory did he gain? Mention his other acts. When was Greece proclaimed a Roman province? Under what name?

§ 127. *The Third Punic War.*

- [554] What interrupted the peace between the Romans and Car-  
A thaginians? On whose motion was the peace declared at an end? What unreasonable demand did the Romans make, which  
B led to the third war? How was the city taken? By whom was it destroyed? Under what name was Carthage made a Roman province?

§ 128. *Further Wars in Spain.*

- [555] When did the Romans first consider Spain as one of their  
C provinces? How long was it before they got quiet possession of the peninsula? What period were they perpetually occupied in putting down revolts of the Spanish tribes? Who gained a brilliant victory over the Celtiberi? What command did he  
D give the inhabitants of all the towns? Who was Viriathus?  
A What was his fate? Who took Numantia? How long did the siege last? Whence Scipio's surname of Numantinus?

§ 129. *Wars against the Gauls, Ligurians, Carnians, and Istrians.*

- [556] What was the result of the disputes with the Cisalpine Gauls  
B and Ligurians?
- [557] \* How long were the Gallic and Ligurian campaigns carried  
C on? \* What territory was denominated pre-eminently "provincia?" What other conquests did they make?

§ 130. *First Insurrection of the Slaves in Sicily.*

- [558] What led to an insurrection of the slaves in Sicily? Who  
D was invited to become their king? How many troops had he?  
How was an end put to the insurrection?

§ 131. *Domestic History during this period.*

- [559] When did the distinction between patricians and plebeians  
 A become obsolete? What struggles were consequently at an end? What did the term "Populus" now comprehend? Who  
 B composed the new order of nobility? Who were termed *ignobiles* or *obscuri*? Who were *homines noti*? What ambition had the nobles with regard to the offices of state?
- [560] • How were the expenses of the public games defrayed?  
 C • Which was the first step to the higher offices of state? • To whom was the equestrian dignity confined? • Who were obliged to take part with the nobles? why?
- [561] Why was a second prætor appointed? Why were four  
 A other prætors soon added? when? Why did these magistrates remain at Rome? What titles did the prætors assume in the second year? How were provinces assigned to them? • Mention the four *questiones perpetuæ*.
- [562] • What was the meaning of the term "province?" • How did  
 C the provinces generally receive their constitution? • What was the duty of the provincial governor? • How were taxes imposed in the provinces? • Who collected them? • How were the provincial garrisons furnished with soldiers?
- [563] • What was the nature of the relations of Rome with other  
 D free States?
- [564] What attempts were made to check the progress of luxury  
 A and the increasing adoption of foreign manners? Who was the most conspicuous of the censors?

§ 132. *The Two Gracchi.*

- [565] What was the condition of the population of Rome at this time?  
 C Who revived the agrarian law of Licinius? What was the object of this law? Who had been persuaded by the senate to interpose his veto to it? How did Tiberius wish to dispose of the treasures bequeathed to the Roman people by Attalus III.?
- A At whose instigation was Tiberius assassinated? What became of Scipio Nasica?
- [566] • How far did the commissioners for carrying out the agrarian law of Gracchus succeed? • What proposal did Papirius Carbo make with regard to the tribunes? • Who resisted it? • What was his fate?
- [567] What advantages did Caius Sempronius Gracchus obtain for  
 C the people? Who appeared as a rival tribune to C. Gracchus? Where was Gracchus sent? What law did he propose on his return? Who resisted this law? What was the end of Gracchus?
- [568] • How did the Optimates use this victory over the  
 A commons? • What was the *lex Thorii*? • How were the poorer citizens now principally supported? • Who came to the assistance of the people?

§ 133. *The War with Jugurtha.*

- [569] How had Micipsa divided his kingdom? How did Jugurtha  
 B treat Hiempsal and Adherbal? Who proposed a partition of

- the kingdom! Did Jugurtha accept this proposition? Who induced the Romans to declare war against Jugurtha? What daring act did he now perform? Who overthrew Jugurtha? Where did he fly for refuge? Who induced Bocchus to deliver up Jugurtha? Who was now rising into importance? In whose triumphal procession was he exhibited? What was his fate? How was Numidia divided?

§ 134. *War with the Cimbri and Teutones.*

- [570] Who were the Cimbri? Describe their advance. What was their demand? What was their success? Who cut them off? Where were they defeated? How was Marius rewarded?

§ 135. *Second Insurrection of the Slaves in Sicily.*

- [571] What occasioned a second insurrection of the slaves in Sicily? How was it terminated?

§ 136. *To the Social War.*

- [572] What ambitious views did Marius entertain? What was his first step? Who opposed this proposal? Who lost their lives? Why was the commencement of actual hostilities deferred? Whose quarrels occasioned a civil war?
- [573] \* How did Marius attempt to sustain his declining influence? \* How did Sulla become a rival of Marius?

§ 137. *The Marnic or Social War.*

- [574] What ground of complaint had the Italian nations against the Romans? What aroused the Italian confederates to deliver themselves from the Roman yoke?
- [575] \* Mention the immediate causes of the war. \* What was the project of Drusus? \* Did it become law? \* What was his end?
- [576] Who now formed themselves into a confederacy against Rome? What was their plan? What was the lex Julia? Name the three theatres of war. Who commanded in each of these? What was done to prevent the new citizens from gaining a preponderance over the old?

§ 138. *Civil War between Marius and Sulla, 88—82; and First War against Mithridates, 87—84.*

- [577] When was Sulla elected consul? What command did he receive? How did Marius supplant Sulla? What became of Sulpicius? Who was Cinna? With whom did he act in concert? Did the army favour them? What was done? Who nominated themselves to the consulship? Who succeeded Marius?
- [578] What plan did Mithridates adopt for checking the progress of the Roman arms in Asia? What was his first step towards the accomplishment of this mighty project? How was he furnished with an occasion? Where was Archelaus sent? How was his arrival in Italy prevented? What splendid
- Anc. Geo.*

victories did Sulla obtain? Who had now the conduct of the Mithridatic war? Who murdered him? On what terms was a peace concluded?

- [579] \* Describe and account for the death of Fimbria. \* Did  
 c Cinna oppose Sulla's return to Rome?  
 [580] Describe Sulla's return to Rome. Where did C. Marius  
 A retire after his defeat? Who blockaded him? What attempt  
 B was made by the Samnites? With what success? How were  
 the Samnites and Prænestines treated? What was the fate of  
 Marius?  
 [581] Who were now proscribed? What opportunity did this  
 c afford Sulla? How did he show his authority? When did he  
 lay down his power? Where did he die?  
 [582] Who undertook the annihilation of the Marian party?  
 • Relate his successes.

§ 139. *Changes effected in the Constitution by Sulla.*

- [583] What was the nature of the changes introduced into the  
 B constitution by Sulla? What was his first plan? What did he  
 do in order to secure a popular party? How were these new  
 citizens named? How was the *tribunitial power* restrained?  
 What was the only privilege which the tribunes were allowed to  
 c retain? How did he endeavour to raise the *senate*? Who were  
 D declared *ex officio* members of the senate? Why was their  
 number augmented to twenty? What other plan did he adopt  
 for strengthening the aristocracy? and his own party? What  
 did he do in order to diminish the influence of the people in the  
 A courts of justice?  
 [584] • What was settled by the *lex annalis*? • What criminal  
 laws were re-enacted by Sulla?  
 [585] Who proposed the repeal of all Sulla's laws? Who opposed  
 B the measure? What was the first step? Who effected the re-  
 storation of the tribunitial power in its fullest extent? What  
 other enactment did he procure?

§ 140. *The War against Sertorius.*

- [586] Who was Q. Sertorius? Who chose him as their leader?  
 c Who supported him? Whom did he make head against?  
 A Who concluded an alliance with Sertorius? Who assassinated  
 Sertorius? What was the fate of his murderer? Did this  
 victory put an end to the war?

§ 141. *The Servile War; or War of the Gladiators  
 and Slaves.*

- [587] Give an account of the war of the gladiators. By whom  
 B were they headed? Who defeated them? Who utterly de-  
 stroyed them?  
 [588] • Who claimed the merit of putting an end to the servile  
 c war? • What means did Pompey take to secure popular favour?  
 • What command was conferred upon him?

§ 142. *War against the Pirates.*

- [589] Mention the causes of the power of the pirates in Cilicia and  
 A Isauria. Give an account of the ravages committed by the  
 B pirates? Who fell into their hands? What scourge visited  
 Rome in consequence of their depredations? Who defeated  
 these pirates? How long did his campaigns last? How did he  
 C dispose of the pirates? How long did Crete hold out? Who  
 subdued it?

§ 143. *The two last Wars against Mithridates.*

- [590] \* Did Mithridates observe the terms of the peace? \* Who  
 resisted him? \* With what success?  
 [591] Who bequeathed his dominions to the Romans? What  
 A alliance did Mithridates form? Whom did he overthrow?  
 where? Give an account of the successes of Lucullus against  
 B Mithridates. What prevented Lucullus from profiting by his  
 victories? By whom was Lucullus superseded in his command?  
 C why? Where did Mithridates fly to? How did Pompey treat  
 Tigranes? What portion of his dominions did he surrender?  
 D How far did Pompey pursue Mithridates? On his return what  
 did he do in Pontus, Syria, and Palestine?  
 [592] \* What became of Mithridates? \* Who succeeded him?  
 A \* How was Pompey hailed at Rome?

§ 144. *Catiline's Conspiracy.*

- [593] What conspiracy was set on foot by Catiline? Why had he  
 been rejected as a candidate for the consulship? Who favoured  
 B the project of Catiline? By whom was his conspiracy detected?  
 Who rendered all further attempts of the conspirators fruitless?  
 C How was Catiline driven from the city? Where did he go?  
 How were some of the conspirators discovered? How were  
 they treated? What battle was fought? Who routed the rebel  
 forces? Who fell in the battle?

§ 145. *The First Triumvirate.*

- [594] What discovery did Cæsar make with regard to the republic?  
 A What resolution did he form in consequence of this discovery?  
 [595] \* How did he follow out his plan? \* What popular measures  
 did he support? \* What subjected him to the suspicion of  
 being concerned in Catiline's conspiracy?  
 [596] What demand did Pompey make on his return to Rome?  
 B Who resisted Cæsar as candidate for the consulship? Who  
 was chosen his colleague? Who effected a reconciliation be-  
 C tween Pompey and Crassus? What was '*the first triumvirate*?'  
 What was the aim of each of its members? What measure did  
 Cæsar carry in defiance of all opposition from the senate?  
 A Who obtained his only daughter in marriage? What appoint-  
 ment did he procure for himself? How did the senate meet  
 B this last usurpation of their rights? By whose means did Cæsar  
 get Cato and Cicero out of the way? Where was Cato sent?

What was assigned to him? How was Cæsar treated? When was he recalled? On whose proposal?

- [597] \* Where did the triumviri hold a meeting? \* What was agreed at it? \* Who supplied Cæsar with fresh legions?

§ 146. *Cæsar's War in Gaul.*

- [598] With what view did Cæsar form a standing army?

- [599] \* How did the subjugation of Gaul differ from that of the  
A east?

- [600] Where did the Helvetii come from? Whose territories did  
B they plunder? Who checked them? Where were the Ger-  
C mans defeated? Who commanded them? What reputation  
had the Belgians? What was the amount of their forces?  
How did Cæsar overcome them? Who offered the stoutest  
resistance to the arms of Cæsar?

- [601] \* Who vanquished the Veneti? the Aquitani? \* How much  
D of Gaul was now subjugated?

- [602] What tribes had been driven by the Suevi across the Lower  
Rhine into Belgium? Who compelled them to return? How  
did Cæsar now find employment for his legions? Were Cæsar's  
expeditions to Britain attended by any important results?

- [603] What grievances, besides the loss of their freedom, induced  
the Gauls to make repeated attempts to throw off the Roman  
A yoke? Who headed the insurrection? Did it succeed? Who  
B surrendered? By what means did Cæsar succeed in tranquil-  
lizing the Gauls?

§ 147. *The Civil War between Cæsar and Pompey.*

- [604] What province was assigned to Crassus? What was his  
C fate? Who was appointed to the two Spains? Who governed  
them? Why did Pompey remain at Rome? Why did he defer  
the election of consuls?

- [605] \* What was the first step taken by the senate to reduce  
A Cæsar's power? \* What did they next require? \* What was  
Cæsar's offer? \* How was it treated?

- [606] What did Cæsar determine to do? What measure did  
B Pompey adopt? Describe the success of Cæsar. How did he  
employ his time till vessels were built to transport his troops?  
C Who appointed him dictator? How soon did he resign this office?  
\* What advantage did Pompey gain? \* How was this lost?

- [607] Where was the decisive battle fought between Pompey and  
A Cæsar? with what result? What forces met on each side?  
What became of Pompey?

- [608] \* Why did Cæsar despatch M. Antonius into Italy? \* How  
far did he succeed in his object?

§ 148. *Cæsar's Wars in the East.*

- [609] In what state did Cæsar find Egypt on his arrival there?  
What was the consequence of his interference? Whom did  
Cæsar make queen of Egypt?

- [610] Who availed himself of the disruption of the Roman re-  
C public to extend the limits of his empire? How far did his



- A attempt succeed? Who checked and defeated him? What was his end?

§ 149. *Cæsar's last Wars against the Partisans of Pompey.*

- [611] What party was formed against Cæsar in Africa? Where were they overthrown? What were the losses on both sides? What was the fate of Cato?
- [612] \* What honours awaited Cæsar at Rome? \* How were the people and soldiers treated? \* What measures did Cæsar take for the restoration of order? \* Who assisted him in his reformation of the calendar?
- [613] Where had the sons of Pompey collected a considerable force? Where was the decisive battle fought? Who was victorious? Did he obtain an easy victory? How many of Pompey's adherents were slain? What was the fate of Cn. Pompey? what of Sextus? How was Cæsar honoured on his return?

§ 150. *Death of Cæsar.*

- [614] Enumerate the offices to which Cæsar was appointed by the senate, and the honours that were heaped upon him. What act was a formal recognition of his supremacy? How was Cæsar occupied during the last months of his life? What were his military plans? Why did he refuse the diadem when presented to him? When were the Sibylline books destroyed? What prophecy was discovered in the forged books? What demand was then made? Who formed a conspiracy against Cæsar? Describe the death of Cæsar.

§ 151. *Consequences of Cæsar's Assassination.*

- [615] How did his murderers proceed after his death? Who refused to sanction the acts of the senate? How did Antony drive the assassins from the city? What powers did Antony assume? Who resisted him? What was his course?
- [616] What occasioned the civil war of Mutina? Why was Antony denounced by the senate? Who marched to the assistance of Brutus? Where was Antony defeated? What was the present plan of Octavian as to Antony?

§ 152. *The Second Triumvirate.*

- [617] How did Octavian obtain the consulship? Who formed the second triumvirate? Who were required to confirm the triumviri in their office? For how long a period?
- [618] How did the triumviri proceed before they commenced war against the assassins of Cæsar? Who was among these victims? Where were Brutus and Cassius defeated? What was their fate? Where did the victors proceed? Who was summoned to Tarsus by Antony? why?
- [619] \* Who occasioned the Perusian civil war? \* Give an account of this war.
- [620] What smoothed the way for a reconciliation between Antony and Octavian? How was the empire divided among the trium-

viri? How was the friendship of Antony and Octavian cemented? Who blockaded Italy? On what terms was an armistice concluded?

- [621] What occasioned a renewal of the war between Octavian  
 A and S. Pompeius? Where was Pompey defeated? What was his end? How was Lepidus defeated in his design on Sicily?

§ 153. *Foreign Wars of Antony and Octavian.*

- [622] What countries were overrun by the Parthians? Who  
 B drove them across the Euphrates? What portion of the Roman possessions in Asia was presented to Cleopatra? What expedition was undertaken by Antony in conjunction with Artavasdes? Why was he compelled to retreat? Who was declared to be the legitimate son of Cæsar? why?

- [623] What expeditions were now undertaken by Octavian? why?  
 A Who were now subjected to the authority of Rome?

§ 154. *The War between Octavian and Antony.*

- [624] When did the term of the triumviral league cease? Against  
 B whom did the senate declare war? What was the immediate cause of hostilities?

- [625] \* How did Antony meet his opponents?

- [626] Describe the battle of Actium and its result. Where did  
 D Octavian then proceed? \* What became of Antony? \* What of Cleopatra?

§ 155. *C. Julius Cæsar Octavianus Augustus.*

- [627] When did Octavian return to Rome? What victories were  
 A celebrated by a triple triumph? What took place in consequence of the general peace that now prevailed? How did Octavian seek to establish his authority? How far, if at all, was the old constitution respected? When was the title of Augustus conferred on Octavian? Who bore this title afterwards?

- [628] \* What did the imperial prerogative comprehend? \* How  
 C was the election of a successor conducted?

- [629] \* How did Octavian limit the number of the senate? \* How  
 A were members of the senate now appointed? \* Could any but Romans be appointed? \* If so, on what terms? \* Who were the advisers of the Emperor? \* When did the people cease to have any share in legislation? \* How were their decisions superseded?

- [630] \* What was the power of the ancient magistrates? \* What  
 B new officers were appointed? \* What was the duty of the Præfectus urbi? of the Præfecti prætorio? of the Præfectus annonæ? \* Who exercised considerable influence over these appointments? \* When were they taken entirely in their own hands by the emperors?

- [631] \* How were Rome and Italy divided? \* How were the  
 C other cities distinguished? \* Who presided over the population of these cities?

- [632] \* How were the provinces divided by Octavian?

- [633] \* From what sources was the military ærarium raised?

• By what kind of troops were the frontiers protected ? • Where were they quartered ?

- [634] What was the main object of the wars of Augustus ? How  
 B was the eastern frontier of the empire secured ? Who were sent to protect Italy and Gaul against the invasions of the Germanic tribes ? How were the people of Lower Germany won ? How did the Romans treat the country from the Rhine  
 C to the Elbe ? What occasioned an insurrection of the tribes of Lower Germany ? How was Varus misled ? What was the consequence ?
- [635] • How were the remaining days of Augustus rendered  
 D miserable ? • Where did the emperor die ? • At what age ?

§ 156. *Four Emperors of the House of Livia.*

- [636] What were the chief traits in the character of Tiberius ?  
 A Whom did he adopt ? by whose persuasion ? Why did Tiberius recall Germanicus from Germany ? What successes had he  
 B obtained there ? What did he achieve in the east ? What was his fate ? What measure did Tiberius take for the security of his person ? Who was Sejanus ? Why did Tiberius retire from  
 C Rome ? What ambitious project did Sejanus form ? How did Tiberius die ?
- [637] Who succeeded Tiberius ? Give some account of him. What  
 D form of government did the senate wish to re-establish ? Who  
 A resisted them ?
- [638] Who succeeded Caligula ? How did this prince conduct  
 A himself ? What important conquest began in this reign ?  
 • What was the character of Agrippina ?
- [639] How did Nero begin his reign ? Under whose direction was  
 B he ? What horrible murders did he perpetrate ? When did he let loose his ferocious disposition ? What inconsistencies was  
 C he guilty of ? On whom did Nero throw the blame of having set Rome on fire ? Who was supposed to be the real criminal ? Describe the situation of his palace. What occasioned a general insurrection throughout the empire ? Who was proclaimed emperor in his place ? What was the fate of Nero ?

§ 157. *Three Emperors proclaimed by the Legions.*

- [640] How did Sulpicius Galba render himself odious ? Who put  
 A him to death ?
- [641] Who was Otho ? Who disputed his appointment ? How  
 B did he die ?
- [642] Who proclaimed Vespasian ?

§ 158. *The Three Flavii.*

- [643] Enumerate the measures of Vespasian. What was his  
 C character ? Who was appointed to crush the revolt of the Jews ? When was Jerusalem stormed ? Who suppressed the  
 A insurrection of the Batavi ? Who commenced afresh the war in Britain ? What was the character of his administration ?
- [644] What was the surname of Titus ? why ? What occurred during his reign ?

- [645] Who was Domitian? How did he commence his reign?  
 B What was his chief amusement? How did he expose his  
 C vanity? Why was Agricola recalled from Britain? How did  
 he appease the Dacians? How was this expedition celebrated?  
 What was the fate of Domitian?

§ 159. *The most flourishing period of the Empire.*

- [646] Who succeeded Domitian? How did he give discontent?  
 D How did he avoid the vengeance of the Prætorians?  
 [647] Who was Trajanus? How did he exert himself? What  
 A success had he against the Dacians? How are these events  
 represented? How did his campaigns against the Parthians  
 B terminate? Why was he compelled to retreat?  
 [648] Who succeeded him? What was his character? To what  
 C was his *attention exclusively directed*? How was this object pro-  
 D moted? What occasioned a *terrible insurrection in this reign*?  
 A How was it suppressed? Who succeeded Hadrian?  
 [649] What was the character of his reign? How was a portion  
 of his time occupied?  
 [650] Who succeeded Antoninus? Who ascended the throne  
 B with him? At whose desire? Who undertook a war against  
 the Parthians? Who had the management of the campaign?  
 C What occasioned the great war of the Marcomanni? Who  
 conducted it? With what success?

§ 160. *Decline of the Empire under the Prætorians.*

- [651] Who succeeded M. Aurelius? On what terms did he grant  
 A peace to the Marcomanni and Quadi? To whom was the  
 government entrusted? How did the emperor conduct him-  
 self? What was the consequence?  
 [652] Who was Pertinax? How long did he reign? How did  
 B Didius Julianus obtain the throne? Who set Julianus aside?  
 [654] What were the measures of Severus? Who assisted him in  
 C the amendment of the legal code? What expedition did Severus  
 undertake in his old age? Where did he die? Whose ingrati-  
 tude occasioned his death?  
 [655] • How did Caracalla begin his reign? • Who was among  
 D the victims? • What did he do in order to satisfy the greed-  
 iness of his soldiers, and procure sufficient funds for his own  
 A prodigal expenditure? • What characters did he assume in  
 Macedonia and Asia? • Who murdered him?  
 [656] • Who succeeded Caracalla? • How did he make peace  
 B with the Parthians?  
 [657] • What led to the promotion of Heliogabalus to the throne?  
 • Who was he? • What was his character? • How did he  
 forfeit his life?  
 [658] What was the character of Alexander Severus's reign?  
 D What new empire was now founded? How far did the new  
 sovereign advance? Who gained important advantages over  
 him? What led to the death of Alexander Severus? Who  
 accompanied him in all his expeditions?  
 [659] What was the condition of the empire under the successors

- A of Alexander Severus? How did the nine emperors who reigned during this period of thirty-five years generally lose their lives?
- [660] \* Who was *Maximinus*? \* Whom did the senate now nominate to the imperial dignity? \* What was their fate? what that of *Maximinus*?
- [661] \* How did *Gordianus* govern?
- [662] \* What was the reign of *Philippus* celebrated for?
- [663] \* Who was *Decius*? \* Where was he slain?
- [664] \* Why was *Gallus* deposed and murdered? \* By whom?
- [665] \* Who put *Æmilianus* to death?
- [666] \* Who invaded the Roman dominions during the reign of D *Valerianus*? \* Who took the emperor prisoner?
- [667] \* How many rivals had *Gallienus*? \* Who maintained his position in Gaul and Spain? \* Who obtained with *Gallienus* the sovereignty of the east? \* Under whom did *Palmyra* become a most flourishing city? \* How did *Gallienus* meet with his death? \* Who succeeded him?
- [668] With what success did *Claudius II.* begin his reign? \* What victories did he gain over the barbarians? \* What was his death? \* Who succeeded him?
- [669] What obtained for *Aurelianus* the surname of *restitutor* B *patriæ*? What province was abandoned? What tribes were driven back into their own country? Who was *Zenobia*? Give C an account of *Aurelian's* victories over *Zenobia*. Why was she conveyed to Rome? How were *Palmyra* and its inhabitants treated? What were *Aurelian's* next victories? Why was the emperor become odious? At whose instigation was he assassinated?
- [670] \* How long did *Tacitus* and *Florianus* reign? What were A the questions of *Probus* on ascending the throne? How far did he succeed? What plan did the emperor put in execution for re-peopling the deserted provinces? What occasioned the discontent of his soldiers? How did they show it? Who was chosen as his successor?
- [671] \* Who were appointed his co-regents? \* How did he lose his life?
- [672] \* Who succeeded *Carus*? \* What was the fate of *Carinus* C and *Numerianus*?

§ 161. *Period occupied by partitions of the Empire, until the reign of Constantine.*

- [673] Who succeeded *Carinus* and *Numerianus*? To whom was committed the administration of the western district? Where did *Diocletian* establish his residence? Where did his colleague D reside? Why were the emperors compelled to appoint colleagues? Who were they? What was their task? What rival A emperors established themselves? What were the successes of B *Galerius*? How were the Christians treated? Which of the emperors abdicated? why? How did he spend the rest of his days?
- [674] When did the death of *Constantius* happen? Who was pro-

claimed emperor in Britain? In what year did Constantine become sole occupant of the imperial throne?

[675] \* How many emperors were there in the year 308?  
c \* Name them.

[676] \* What became of Constantine's competitors?

§ 162. *Constantine the Great, sole Emperor.*

[677] What induced Constantine to embrace Christianity? Who  
A assembled the first œcumenical council? where? What doctrine was discussed? What was the result of the council?

[678] How did Constantine lay the foundation of a future division  
B of the empire? How was the new capital named at its dedication? How afterwards? Were the capitals placed on an equal footing? How was the empire divided? Who was at the head  
C of the state? What titles did he receive? How many præfecti prætorio were appointed? Why did Constantine increase their  
A number? Name their districts. To whom was the military command transferred? How were the dioceses administered? and the provinces? What were the commanders of the troops termed?

[679] \* Enumerate the seven chief court offices? \* What were  
B the duties of these respectively? \* Who composed the council of the emperor? \* What institutions of former days were retained? \* How were the civil and military officers designated?

[680] \* What taxes were imposed?

[681] To whom did Constantine give assistance towards the end of his reign? What people did he settle in the Roman province on the Danube? What was the fate of his eldest son? and his wife?

§ 163. *The successors of Constantine the Great to the permanent division of the Empire.*

[682] Of Constantine's sons who became at last sole emperor?  
A What became of the others?

[684] Who invaded Gaul? To whom did Constantius entrust the  
B defence of that province? What excited the envy of the emperor? Why did he withdraw several legions from Julian? Did the legions obey?

[685] How was Julian perverted to paganism? How did he show  
C his hatred against Christianity? Did he restore the temple at Jerusalem? What military expedition did he undertake?  
A With what success? What caused his death? Who succeeded him?

[686] Did Jovianus accept the conditions of peace offered by the Persians? What were they? Who was chosen his successor?

[687] Who was appointed by Valentinianus to be his co-regent?  
B What part of the empire was assigned to this co-regent?

[688] \* How was Valentinian occupied during the whole of his reign? \* What occasioned his death? \* Who ravaged Britain at this time? \* Who reconquered it? \* How far did he extend the frontier? \* Give an account of Valens. \* How did Procopius secure his election? \* What was his fate? \* What wars did Valens carry on?

- [689] Who attacked the Goths? Where did Valens grant them  
 A settlements? What drove them to revolt? Where did they  
 defeat Valens?
- [690] Who succeeded Valens? How did Theodosius terminate the  
 B war? Who were his sons?

§ 164. *The Western Roman Empire—to its Fall.*

- [692] Who had the guardianship of Honorius? Where was the  
 A imperial residence fixed?
- [693] Give an account of the war with Alaric, king of the West  
 A Goths [or Visigoths]. Where was he defeated? By whom?
- [695] Why were the legions quartered in Britain and on the  
 Rhine re-called? What tribes overran the western provinces  
 without opposition? Where did these settle? Who occupied  
 the tracts of country which the invaders had quitted?
- [696] On what ground was Stilicho condemned to death? Why  
 C did Alaric persuade Attalus the pref. urbi to accept the im-  
 D perial dignity? Was he soon deposed? In what year was  
 A Rome besieged and taken? Where did Alaric die? Who  
 succeeded Alaric? Did he conclude a peace with Honorius?  
 Where did he lead the Visigoths?
- [697] \* What was the state of the western empire. \* Who  
 attempted to depose Honorius?
- [698] Who was guardian of Valentinian III.? What appoint-  
 ment did Aetius receive? What troubles did the intrigues of  
 C this minister involve his mistress in? To whom did Bonifacius  
 D apply for aid? How did the barbarians behave? What was  
 the then state of Britain? Whose aid did a British prince solicit?  
 A Who commanded the expedition? What kingdoms did they  
 establish? Who formed an alliance against the West Goths  
 and Latins? Of what nations were the forces composed?  
 Who defeated them? where? Describe the progress of Attila.  
 B What was the ambition of Aetius? Who murdered him?  
 Who assassinated Valentinian?
- [699] Who was next called to the throne? How did Endoxia  
 C show her indignation at being compelled to marry Maximus?  
 What was the fate of Maximus?
- [700] How was the empire ruled after the death of Maximus?  
 D What authority did these persons possess?
- [701] \* Who was the immediate successor of Maximus? \* Who  
 was he? \* What was his fate? \* Who was regarded as  
 regent during the interregnum? \* Who assumed the imperial  
 title? \* Describe the chief events of his reign. \* Who  
 occasioned his death? \* Who now exercised sovereign power?  
 B \* Who governed the western empire after the death of Severus?  
 \* By whose consent was Anthemius appointed emperor?  
 \* Why was Anicius Olybrius proclaimed emperor? \* What  
 C caused the death of Olybrius and Ricimer? \* Why was Glyce-  
 rius soon compelled to resign his throne? \* Who followed  
 him?
- [702] Who had ruled Italy since the death of Ricimer? How did  
 Odoacer get possession of the throne? In what year?

§ 165. *Religion, &c. of the Romans.*

- [703] To whom were the Romans accustomed to ascribe the establishment of their religion? What was the original element of the Roman national religion? What was afterwards added?
- A** What Greek deities corresponded to Jupiter, Juno, and Minerva? To what circumstances may the decline of the Roman religion at the commencement of the first century be attributed? What was the condition of religion in the last years of the republic? What opposition had Christians to contend with before Christianity became the religion of the empire?
- [704] \* Name the three Capitoline divinities. \* How was Jupiter regarded? \* Which were the most remarkable festivals celebrated in his honour? \* What was under the special protection of Juno? \* What was Juno's office? \* Who was the patroness of arts and manufactures? \* Who supplicated her aid?
- [705] \* Which of the planets were invoked as deities?
- [706] \* Who were the deities of the lower world?
- [707] \* Name the deities of the elements.
- [708] \* Name the deities who presided over agriculture and the rearing of cattle. \* To whom did the Latins attribute the first establishment of civilization? \* Who was worshipped on earth under the title of Demeter? \* What were the Saturnalia? \* Who was the protectress of the flocks? \* When was her feast held? why? \* What was the rank of Mars among the Roman gods? \* Where was the census held?
- [709] \* Mention the oracular deities of the Latins. \* In what way were the responses of Faunns given? \* How was Fauna styled? \* To what class did she confine her oracles?
- [710] \* What deities presided over physical and moral events? \* Give an account of Janus. \* Who were the Parcae? who Fortuna? \* From what did the worship of Venus derive its importance?
- B** \* To what personifications of abstract ideas and moral qualities were divine honours paid? Who was the god of trade? who of war?
- [711] \* How were life, death, and existence after death represented in the Roman religion?
- [712] \* Who were the Pontifices? \* Who was the president of their college? \* What were his duties? \* How did the Augurs ascertain the will of the gods? \* Who conducted the inspection of victims? \* What is the difference between auguria and auspicia? \* What duties were assigned to the inspectors of the Sibylline books? \* Who were the Fetiales? \* Who chose the Vestal Virgins? \* What was their number? \* How was their time employed? \* Why were the Salii Palatini established?
- [713] \* How were the priests of particular deities termed? \* What priests belonged to the order of Flamines? \* Who discharged the duty of offering public sacrifices after the expulsion of the Tarquins?
- [714] \* What were the holy places? \* Of what did the sacred usages consist?
- [715] Did the Romans cultivate the art of war with success?



- c What citizens served in the army? At what age? Who were exempt?
- [716] \* How was the legion originally divided? \* What was the division at a later period? \* How many legions composed a consular army?
- [717] Who were excused from military service towards the end of the republic? What were the ten cohortes prætorianæ? Who commanded the army at different periods? Who were the head of each legion? Who were under them? Whom did Constantine place in command of his forces? When was the practice of giving regular pay to each legionary introduced?
- b What rewards were distributed for military service?
- [718] Who composed the maritime force? Describe the Roman vessels?
- [719] Into how many periods may the history of Roman literature be divided? When did the first begin? Have we any thing of the period antecedent to this date? When was the foundation of Roman literature, properly so called, laid? Which was the second period? What was the character of this age? When did the *silver age* commence? when terminate? What was its character? What period did the *brazen age* include? What was its character?
- [720] What were the first attempts of the Romans in epic poetry?
- c What epic history did Ennius compile? Who cultivated the historical, and who the didactic epos? Give a list of Ovid's works.
- [721] Who distinguished themselves as translators or imitators of Greek models? Who were the principal representatives of New Comedy? \* How does it appear that they had a Roman drama, strictly so called? \* What was the character of the Mimes? \* How did these degenerate?
- [722] When did *lyric poetry* develop itself? What was its character? What were the most remarkable performances in this department?
- [723] What was the origin of *Satire*? Who raised it to the rank of a literary production? Who gave a more polished character to it? What was the character of the Satires of Juvenal and Persius?
- [724] \* When was the *epigram* introduced? \* What collection or collections of the kind is still extant?
- [725] \* Whom did Phædrus imitate? Whom did Virgil imitate?
- [726] Which was the most distinguished and influential branch of Roman literature? Who first cultivated it? Which was the surest road to honour and influence? Who were the most distinguished orators?
- [727] \* When did oratory lose its influence over the government?
- b \* Where was it retained? \* Where have we it in its most debased character? \* Who were the great teachers of eloquence? \* On what accounts are the letters of Pliny and Cicero valuable? To what systems did the Romans confine themselves in the study of philosophy? On what ground do the philosophical writings of Cicero entitle him to the highest praise?

- [728] \* Which was the most attractive system in the earlier days of the monarchy ? \* To what system did Stoicism give place ?  
 D \* What was the great work of the elder Pliny ? \* When did the science of jurisprudence attain its highest degree of excellence ? \* Of what compilations were their writings the groundwork ?
- [729] In what great architectural works were the Romans assisted  
 A by the Etruscans ? What were the great architectural changes  
 C from the time of Sulla to that of Constantine ? Give some account of Roman sculpture.
- [730] For how long a time were the professors of the art of *paint-*  
 A *ing* almost exclusively Greeks ?
- [731] How were trade and manufactures regarded by the Romans ?  
 What associations were formed in the latter days of the re-  
 B public ? What was the character of Roman trade ? What were the imports ?



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